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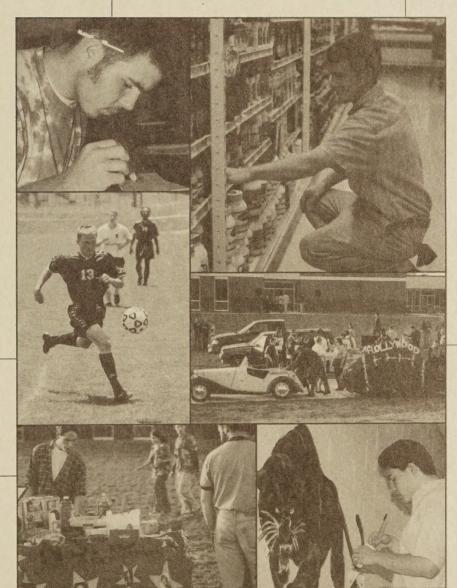
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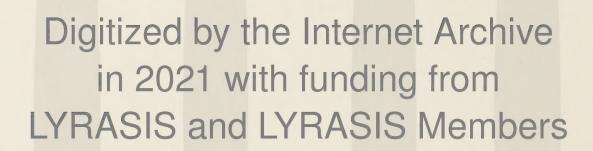
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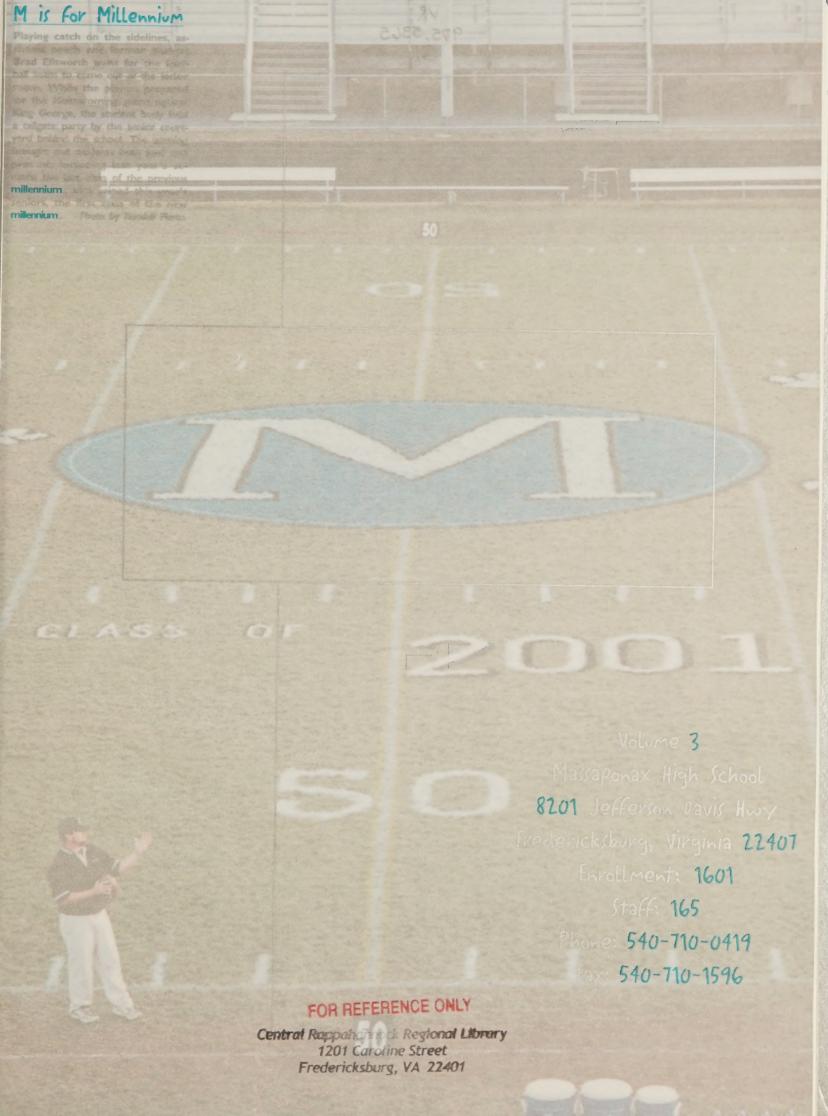
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Playing catch on the sidelines, assistant coach and former student
Brad Ellsworth waits for the football team to come out of the locker
room. While the players prepared
for the Homecoming game against
King George, the student body held
yard behind the school. The evening
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Trying to put up the senior class banner at the tailgate party, Josh Cox scans the crowd for more help. Photo by Randall Pierce.

Whether it was an all-night marathon with friends or an early wake-up in order to ride horses, nearly 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, students' lives were filled with activity.

From 7:45 till 2:30, minds and spirits were engaged in diverse learning experiences. Academic offerings ranged from Japanese to Small Animal Care in addition to the required basic four - Math, Science, English and Social Studies.

Athletic competitions provided opportunities to test our physical strength on 6 spring, fall and 8 winter varsity sports.

Six of '01





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Standing on the 40 yard line of the bus parking lot, Josh Sickles waits for his cue to play during band practice. The parking lot was not only used for busses, but also for marching band practices as well as occasional football conditioning, hence the 40 yard marker. Sickles was one of only four baritone players in the Marching Panther Pride. Photo by Leigha Surles.

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Offerings for extracurricular activities were as varied as the members of the student body. With 39 groups, clubs and organizations to be in, there was something to interest everyone.

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Enrollment was up and 787 men and 814 women jammed hallways and classrooms. People were everywhere.

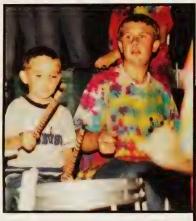
In 100's of ways, students interacted with the community around them.

We were only as strong as the sum of our 2001 parts...

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Eight

Improvising a song to show his spirit for the football team, Keleah Sours-Beck's eight year old brother, Tyler, joins Jay Kole and the rest of the Marching Panther Pride in the stands. Tyler was invited to play drums with the band for the game. Photo by Mary Benton.



Three

Taking the field before the football team comes out of the locker room, the Panther tries to get the crowd psyched up before the homecoming game. The team played a tough, determined King George and only surrendered three points in the second half before finally falling short of the win, 31-19. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

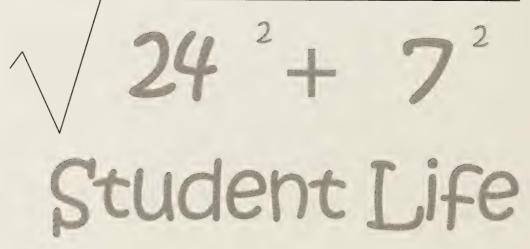


Nine

Killing time before one of their field hockey games, the varsity team lies down on the sidelines to form a circle of heads. The nine girls used their pregame time to catch up with each other on their lives in and out of school. Photo by Lindsay Klotz.



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One Hundred Sixty

Bracing for impact, Tiffany Carty jumps onto the bridge at the Loriella Park playground as Wendy Roles and Eric Depollo look on. The three were there for the senior class picnic on September 29. About 160 students in grade twelve attended the event, sponsored by the senior class board. Photo by Ashley Ferren.



Eighty Two

Taking a break between dances, Sara Newton and Cathy Hilker find an opportunity to talk together amidst all the people and loud music. During the evening's festivities Principal Rodkey announced the homecoming court, which included the 82-inch tall king, Tim Allmond. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

One forty Seven

Getting ready to take her senior pictures in the auditorium, Mary Yancey adds the final touches to her makeup. Yancey was one of 147 students who had their senior portraits taken at school by Segall-Majestic photographers. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

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Number of seconds in a school day: 24,300. Number of school days in the year 2000: 72½. Number of school days in the year 2001: 102. Number of weekends during the school year: 40. Number of student holidays: 11. Number of seats in the auditorium: 1270. Number of steps in the school: 562. Number of exit signs: 82. Number of doors leading outside: 63. Number of blocks in the glass wall outside the cafeteria: 728. Number of lunch tables in the cafeteria: 54. Number of foods available at the snack bar: 37. Number of vending machines: 19. Number of bathrooms: 22. Number of payphones: 5. Number of powder puff titles for Class of 2002: 3. Number of student lives in a school day: 1601.

Night on Broadway

ong nights, hard work, dedication and love for the stage is what made the spring play, "A Night on Broadway" possible. All the students working on the play, whether on stage or behind, gave all they could to ensure play night would be as successful as possible, and it was.

The cast worked from February until April, and the audience felt it was well worth the hard work.

"I loved it! Everything was put together so well. It did not seem at all like a high school play. The acting didn't miss a beat and the lights and scenery were even better," said junior **Cherish Willis**, who attended with her boyfriend. "We both liked the ending even though it was sad."

Students involved in the play's production enjoyed it just as much as the audience.

Director of the musical review, Mrs.

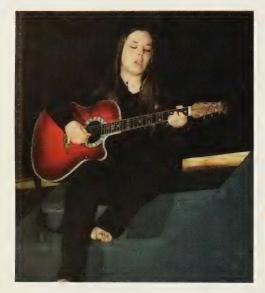
Kemp said that the play was a "bonding experience" for cast members, and added that they "worked well together."

"I had a great time working on the play. I learned a lot about teamwork, met some new people, and just had a lot of fun," said senior **Seth Myers**. Myers had both singing and dancing roles. "I thoroughly enjoyed working with all the people involved," he added.

Junior Alicia Prickett also said she enjoyed performing in the spring play. "I really enjoyed doing the play this spring. It took up a lot of my time but I had a really good time dancing and working with everybody," said Prickett. Prickett brought her personal skills in dancing to the production.

"The play had many people crying and people came back to see the play second and third times," said senior **Joe Perry**.

by Kelly Romine



One and only. Sophomore Jenna Ewing sings "Mr. Bojangles" during the spring play. "A Night on Broadway" was a musical review featuring songs from various Broadway plays. Photo by Jon Wassink.

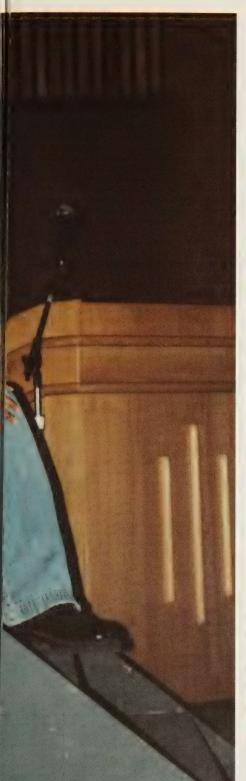


Heart and soul. Getting into his role, senior Seth Meyers sings his heart out during the performance of "Young Blood." The song showcased the male talent in the drama department. Photo by Erica Thomas.

Just the guys. The male cast members' performance of "Young Blood" was a favorite of the audience. It was one of two songs performed that evening that were from "Smokey Joe's Cafe." Photo by Erica Thomas.







Rising Star. Senior Elita Walker performs the song "42nd Street" in the musical review as her public singing debut. Every time she took the stage the audience responded with thunderous applause. Photo by Erica Thomas.

Up and coming. Freshman Katie Sheckels and her mother chat with guidance counselors Ms. Parrish and Ms. Ratchford. The event provided new students a chance to familiarize themselves with their new surroundings. Photo by Jon Wassink





Drummer Boy. Serving as percussionist for the evening, freshman Jay Kole awaits his cue to play. The small, yet powerful band played a key role in the play, providing a backdrop for the voices of the performers. *Photo by Jon Wassink.*



Meet the Press. Discussing elective classes for their upcoming freshman year, members of the Class of 2004, Abby Cramer and Amy Caywood meet Mrs. Woodcock, the yearbook and newspaper adviser. The evening gave new students and their parents a chance to meet part of the faculty, see the school, and learn about high school. "I came with my friend Abby. My Mom wanted me to meet the teachers and see the school. Coming to Freshman orientation made the first day of school a lot better and easier. I knew where rooms were, I didn't feel lost at all. I had met some of my teachers already and I knew almost everyone that was coming to Massaponax from Thornburg Middle School. The first day didn't seem as stressful as most people said it would be," said Caywood. Photo by Jon Wassink.

Welcome

to H.S.

It's going to be a bumpy ride...

Freshman Orientation was a chance for future students to meet teachers, tour the school and get a taste of high school life. Eighth graders that entered high school in the fall visited the school during the previous spring.

Departments and groups set up tables for students and parents to visit after they listened to a presentation from school administration and guidance.

"Mr. Rodkey introduced himself and welcomed us, then he told us what high school is like," said **Amy Caywood**.

The evening ended with a tour of the school, to help prepare students before they arrived in September.



Joining in on a conversation about Latin class, Carol Hetman attends freshman orientation. The orientation gave new students a chance to talk to teachers before they began their high school careers. Photo by Jon Wassink.



Parents and students alike gather around booths in the commons area at freshman orientation. Drama teacher, Kim Kemp set up a booth to attract new students to find out about both the Drama classes and club. Photo by Jon Wassink.

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rom was a night of dresses, tuxedos, flowers, music, dates, and fun. How ever, all of it came at a price that is almost always far from cheap.

"I spent about \$150 on prom. The tuxedo, dinner, corsage, and tickets added up to a lot," said junior **Troy Simpson**.

"I paid almost \$160 on my dress for prom, but I liked it so much, I had to buy it even if it was so expensive," said junior **Cherish Willie**

On the other hand, there were ways to get around paying an arm and a leg for one night of fun. Some people ate dinner or had a picnic at their own houses with friends, or borrowed a dress to avoid the price of buying one.

"My sister let me use a dress she had worn in a wedding, so I didn't have to buy one. That was a nice deal, "said junior **Grace Santiago**.

Even though Prom tends to be expensive, the money for the lavish evening can come from different sources. Some students saved allowances and pay checks all year while others got the money from their parents.

"My dad bought my dress and my mom paid for my hair. I bought my jewelry and did my makeup," said junior **Heather Schnell**.

"I paid for almost everything at Prom, but my parents gave me all the money, so it wasn't a big deal," said senior **Rick Norman**.

by Mary Flanigen



Stretchin' It. Arriving at the Prom in style, senior Keith Parker steps out of the limo and joins his date, Lindsay Harmon. Travelling by limo was a popular transportation option for travel to the dance. Photo by Segall-Majestic.



Check it out. Junior class sponsor Mrs. Fillare goes over last minute preparations with Junior class President Ben Cox and Vice President Josh Cox. Prom was the class's major responsibility of the year. Photo by Segall-Majestic.





Armed and ready. Sophomore Jessica Morales talks to Senior Mike Curtis as Junior Sean Rhea looks on. Morales was one of many who brought a camera to the dance to capture the evening on film. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

Head gear. After receiving the title of Prom King, a very surprised Jonathan Eastridge waits to be crowned by Mrs. Holland. After the crowning, Eastridge danced in the spotlight with the Queen. Photo by Segall-Majestic.







(Above middle) Crowning touch. Mr. Rodkey had the honor of crowning senior Marie Brown Prom Queen. After announcing the winner, Brown received a dozen roses and a dance with the King. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

(Above bottom) Fancy nails. Taking a break from dancing, Jo-Al Simmerman and Kathy Ovard admire Jessica Burnopp's manicured nails. A trip to the salon is one of many expenses that come with Prom. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

Big Money

An expensive night of fun

One of the school year's biggest events did not come cheaply. Preparation for Prom, with renting tuxedos, buying dresses, renting limos, paying for dinner, and buying corsages, ran up the cost for the night of fun to a very high price.

Planning for the magical evening dipped into the pockets of the Junior Class as well. The Class of 2001 was in charge of both planning and paying for the dance. Prom makes for most of the drain on the funds raised all year, it is the single most costly event for the Junior Class.



In the Eagle's Lodge, this year's setting for the Prom, students danced into the evening. The ballroom was decorated with balloons and a small fountain which several students decided to dance in over the course of the night. The decorations carried the theme of "Take My Hand" throughout the room, and evening. Photo by Segall-Majestic.



Enjoying a night with close friends, seniors Chauntee Schuler, Jaque Messeder, and Younah Pee dance with friends. The Prom-goers danced to music provided by a hired DJ. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

Yes, Waster

Senior Servant Day also known as a chance for school-wide embarrassment, was an event that students looked forward to.

"I love Senior Servant Day," said junior **Shana Romano**. "I bought Marc Smith and it was a blast. It gives us a day for everyone to have fun and laugh while still getting our work done," she added

Sophomore **Ricky Moore** also thought the day was a plus. "It lets students relax and have fun for a day," said Moore. "I would get auctioned just to make

a fool of myself and, of course, to raise money for the [senior class], which is really the whole point of it," he added.

Sophomore Ashley Shortt agreed that the day was something special. "It's just something fun that happens once a year to get a laugh," Shortt said. "I wouldn't mind participating when I'm a senior."

The day offered a well-appreciated break from the norm. The fund-raiser was an event that brought a good laugh, good memories, and a good amount of cash.

by Melanie Williams



On the march. Graduating seniors file in to "Pomp and Circumstance." The Class of 2000 patiently await receiving their diplomas. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

School spirit. Parading through the halls seniors Rick Norman and Maurice Hayes stop to talk. Both were pricey Senior Servants. Photo by Kelly Romine.



A welcome note. As Senior Class President, Elita Walker had the duty of welcoming the Class of 2000, as well as their family and friends to the graduation ceremony. Walker's speech appeared to have a great impact on her fellow students. Many of those present were moved to tears when Walker spoke of the future. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

Class of '60

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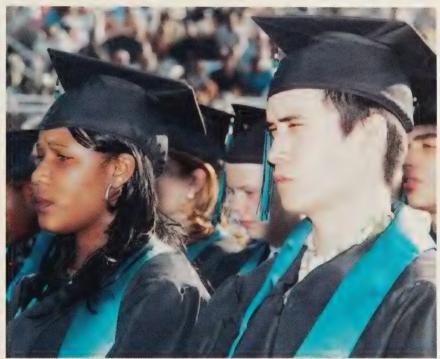






Free at last. The moment he has been waiting for has finally come for senior Ryan Coleman as he excitedly receives his diploma from Principal Rodkey. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

Final Episode. During the last few minutes of being a senior, Latoia Askew and Andrew Baker listen as speeches were given before handing out diplomas. Photo by Segall-Majestic.







Easily amused. As she awaits the beginning of the ceremony, senior Natalie Nielsen passes the time and watches each bubble while waiting. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

Dancing fool. Senior Kevin Thacker shows off his moves. He was bought as a senior servant by Mary Flanigen and Jessica McDonald. Photo by Kelly Romine.

Gone!

out of town...



All decked out in her frog pajamas, sophomore Lindsay Lascara dances the night away in her dorm room at Cheerleading Camp. The Camp was held at James Madison

University. "We had to get up really early and go to bed late. It was very tiring, but it was still fun." The girls returned to school with new skills and cheers that they incorporated in their routines. *Photo by Laura Mallett.*

Standing in front of the Daiei mall where she ate lunch, in downtown Yokusko, Japan, **Ryan Nobles** waves for the camera. "At the Daiei mall I ate the best fried rice I have ever



tasted in the food court, which is almost exactly like ours. All you have to do is point at what you want. I also had a sandwich at the Japanese version of KFC. It was the first time I have ever seen fast food actually look like the picture," said Nobles. *Photo by Marvin Nobles.*



Visiting Romania with his church, Spotswood Baptist, **Aaron Stone** holds baby chickens. Stone was one of a group of 30 people that went to Romania to participate in, and com-

plete a three part mission. It involved a Bible school, a medical team and a church-building group. The church members were there for two weeks to share a bit of their religion with the Romanians and touched a number of lives. Photo by Sarah Lance.

Worlds away. Taking a break from sight-seeing, junior Ryan Nobles sits at the memorial to the Navy in Yokusko, Japan. She accompanied her father on a one and a half week business trip. Photo by Marvin Nobles.

Small fry fan club. Bombarded by kids, senior Aaron Stone tries to hug them all at once. Stone went with 30 other people from Spotswood Baptist on a mission trip to Romania. Photo by Sarah Lance.





Twist and laugh. All relaxing together, sophomores Megan Barley, Laura Mallett, and Nakole Charles take time away from a hectic schedule of cheers and dances to relax and have fun. Photo by Sarah Newton.



Jump In!

The Marching Panther Pride takes a break from practicing in the summer heat...

Left to Right: Kaitlyn Strong, Kyle Norwood, Allen Hunter, and Lindsay Church taking a break from swimming, at the marching band pool party. Megan Aldrich and Renee Keeler smile for the camera while waiting to march in the Gordonsville Parade. Photos by Sarah Lance.









Baby steps. Aaron Stone and Tara Hedrick play with a child the two met while on a mission trip to Romania over the summer. The two went on the trip with Spotswood Baptist Church. Photo by Sarah Lance.

So much relaxing to do, so little...

Summer Time

Summer vacation- the time of trips, summer jobs, and best of all, no school. During summer there are usually three types of people: I. those who earn money, 2. those who spend money, and 3. those who do absolutely nothing.

Senior **Colt Hagmaier** was a money maker working for Anna Point Marina. "I usually worked 60 to 70 hours a week there," said Hagmaier.

Hagmaier wouldn't change a thing though about his job, "It was hard at times, but it was all worth it on pay day."

Heading up the money spenders was senior Laura Wunderlich. "I spent so much money this summer," said Wunderlich. While on a trip to Florida she spent "over 300 dollar, just on clothes."

Chris Blankenship also spent a great deal of money this summer. Blankenship lost over 800 dollars on various items including "CD's, TVs computer games, and other stuff like that."

Others took a more relaxed approach toward summer. "I didn't do anything!" said senior **Lindsay Biddinger**. "I just sat at home, watched TV, and caught up on my sleep. It got boring near the end [of summer], but I wouldn't have changed my summer if I had to do it over again," said Biddinger.

Of course even if given the opportunity to spend their days in school instead of on the couch, most would choose the couch. When asked if they would have rather been in school each person answered with a resounding "NO!" by Josh Cox

Stonecold. While on a school-sponsored trip to Europe, R.J. Skinner stands in front of Stonehenge in Salisbury, England. One of the Ancient Wonders of the World, Stonehenge was just one of many places Skinner visited while on the trip to England over the summer. The group got to their destination by spending many uncomfortable hours on both bus and plane. Both students and teachers from school went on this once in a lifetime trip overseas. Photo by Mindi Miller.







Left to Right: Jay Kole at the Marching Panther Pride's pool party. Rebecca Lance, Sarah Lance, and Kellen Meyers pose at the Gordonsville Parade in August. Kelly Strong gets a ride from Alexander Menear at one of her last parades as a member of the marching band. Photos by Sarah Lance.

Time 4 Fun

hile some seniors were at school helping teachers and administra tors over the summer, most students were lying out by the pool, going to the beach, or hanging out with their friends. Some were participating in sports such as football, field hockey, cross country, and cheerleading.

Senior Laura Weidenbach came to the school in August to help Mrs. Woodcock with yearbook work. "I only came in one time but, I stayed for a couple of hours," Weidenbach said. "I helped Mrs. Woodcock go through some of her classes. I also took pictures of marching band practices."

"It was kind of weird to be here even though school hadn't started, it was pretty much empty except for a few administrators and some teachers," said Weidenbach. We weren't allowed to go past the library because they had people waxing the floor."

Senior Josh Cox lent a helping hand before school started as well.

"I came in two weeks before school started to help the teachers and administrators," Cox said. "I helped in the office by dividing all the forms for homerooms and then placing them in a box to be distributed. I also helped Dr. Childs by placing stickers in some of the textbooks."

"I came twice to help. One day for three hours and another day for two hours, it was boring work but I didn't mind helping out," Cox added.

Although summer vacation was just that for most students, a vacation complete with lounging around at home or by the pool, some were voluntarily hard at work at school helping to prepare the school for the first day.

by Chris Petrie



Elbows up. Senior Jillian Brown and junior Rebecca Lance concentrate on keeping their steps together and their bodies facing front. Being upperclassmen in the band requires a great deal of dedication. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Wake up call. Saxophone player Ben Deforest practices in the early morning for marching band. The band learned and practiced drill for four hours in the morning and for four in the evening. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Summer chores. Going over report cards, Mrs. Wheelbarger and Coach Via sit in guidance over the summer. Even though they do not have to teach classes during the summer, teachers still have work that needs to be done. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.





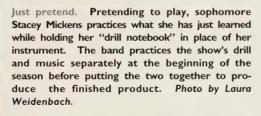


Left, right, left. Rising bright and early junior Samantha Mitchell, a majorette for the marching band, arrived at school early every day. The band practiced for eight hours each day one week in August. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Up, Up, Away. Perfecting a dangerous trick on his motorcycle, Dana Newton rides on his back wheel. The summer gave students a chance to spend more time on their hobbies than during the school year. Photo by Sarah Newton.







The pause that refreshes. Taking a break from practicing in the summer heat, junior Jamelle Walker sits with her practice flag. The colorguard adds an extra visual as well as a dance element to the marching band's field show. The girls not only twirl flags but rifles and other props. The flags flow with the music, and mimic the mood of the show. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Spirited Competition

The cheerleading squad takes home gold...

In order to perfect its skills, the cheerleading squad participated in a Universal Cheerleading Association Camp designed to help the girls learn new cheers and polish old ones.

The camp was held at James Madison University. The seniors were allowed to compete and were chosen as part of the All-Star team, from their performance.

"It was fun because the instructors were funny and we learned new dances. We were allowed to room with our friends, which was great," said sophomore **Lindsay Lascara**.

Both the squads won "camp champs" and three seniors were chosen as All-Stars. Bridget Benedict was chosen to join the UCS staff, and all the seniors were asked to participate in a number of parades all over the world.



Waiting to be recognized, Alicia Prickett, Bridget Benedcit and Shannon Voss wear their All-Star medals with pride. The senior girls competed in the All-Star Competition and were chosen from all the seniors present. Photo by Sara Newton.



Posing in front of James Madison University, the Competition Cheerleading Squad displays their many awards. The team walked away with awards for spirit and for their All-Star seniors. Photo by Sarah Newton.

Dressed 2 the Wines

he adrenaline was rushing and the blood was pumping as the needle low ered toward his body. He tried to relax in the chair but it seemed almost impossible. Then the question came... was this going to hurt?

"When they pierced my tongue it really hurt because they stuck the needle in and it accidentally went through my lip," said senior **Mike Robinson**.

Multiple body piercings and brightly colored hair became two of the year's most popular trends. Finding ways to stand out in a crowded hall proved to be not only painful, but costly as well.

"I dye my hair about two times a month and it costs about \$6. But it is definitely worth it because nobody has the exact same color and it makes me unique," said sophomore Michelle Howard.

Without the money or in some cases parental permission, these changes seemed out of the question. But in the case of those seen around school with bright hair and piercings, fashion found a way.

"I want a second [piercing] in my ear. My mom won't let me get anything else pierced until I'm 18," said junior **Paul Hartlieb**.

But what one person may have viewed as cutting edge fashion, another may have seen as fashionable torture. Personal preference kept some from doing anything outrageous to their bodies.

"I don't feel the need to shove needles through my body," said senior **Gabe McLain**.

"Your ears, eyebrow and maybe your tongue [are] okay but everything else is not very becoming," said sophomore **Jay Kole**.

Looking different involved taking a permanent chance in some cases. "I thought [dyeing my hair] would look neat, like my hair was on fire. I got tired of it and tried to dye it back. Now I'm stuck with the color and it cost me \$20," said junior **Kaya Wilson**.

Color coordinating clothes and hair also proved to be a problem.

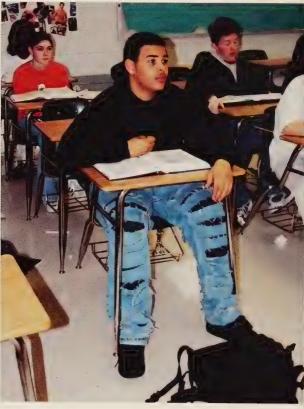
"I'd have to change my hair color everyday to match my outfit, just like nail polish," said junior Kristy Sutler. by Leigha Surles

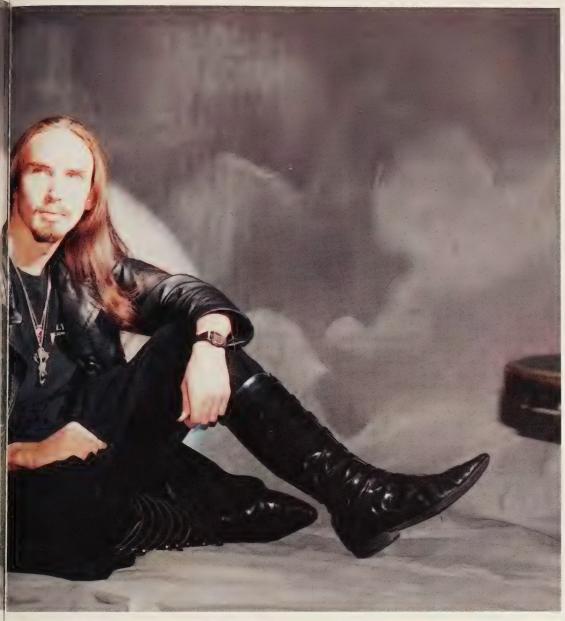


Soft touch. Wearing a distinct necklace, junior Shannon McKay finds a new, fashionable use for feathers. Her necklace complemented her suede shirt. *Photo by Ryan Nobles*.

Cut up. Displaying a torn look as trendy, sophomore Isaiah Gray coordinates his pants with both his shirt and shoes. His trend was to buy clothes that appear already "worn." Photo by Mary Benton.







Hold that pose. Showcasing his original style in his senior portrait, Nathan Witwer wears his favorite outfit, "it's my everyday clothes," said Witwer. "It wouldn't be an accurate portrait if I didn't dress the way I normally do." *Photo by Laura Weidenbach.*

A hair in the crowd. Known for both his unique sense of style and outgoing personality, sophomore Michael Pierce dyed his hair green to compliment the two characteristics. *Photo by Colleen Fowler*.





Smile. Adding color to her class picture, sophomore Janet Waddell smiles for the camera. Her green hair and eyebrow ring gave her picture character. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Spice it up. Adding some spice to his appearance, junior Rickie Robertson stands out in the halls with his dyed hair and piercings. *Photo by Lauren Clements*.



Spirited do. Well-known for his "mohawk" hair style during football season, senior Tom Hetman shares a laugh with former teammate Justin Nissley, a Class of 2000 graduate. *Photo by Katie Nissley*.

Not Quite 9 to 5

s if there was not already enough stress placed upon high school students by schoolwork, homework, teachers, friends, parents, activities, and the future, many students had to worry about a job as well.

Having a job could impair a student's ability to maintain good grades or prioritize working, above their education.

"I only work on weekends, but that doesn't allow me time to study, so I end up studying Monday morning in other classes," said senior **Tim Almond**. "If you don't work to keep up, in the long run it can really take a toll on your grades."

Senior **Dane Lewis** had to take an extra study hall because he did not have enough time on the evenings he worked, to get his homework done.

Having a job also took time away from free time and activities.

"I had to quit church choir, and I've missed out on a few family vacations," said senior **Kayti Ackley**.

Sophomore Danielle Ellison shared similar sentiments. "I can't hang out with my friends as much or go to any football games." by Heather Benson



It's in the bag. While ringing up her customers at Bass Outlet, senior Erin Chapman puts the merchandise in bags. "I like working at Bass because I get a discount on nice clothes," said Chapman. "I work there for extra spending money that I use for myself on the things that I want. I work about 15 to 20 hours a week." Photo by Mary Benton.

Paper or plastic. During an average shift, senior Emily Baez packs 200 bags of groceries at her job with Ukrops. "Besides all the great educational benefits given to me such as tuition assistance and scholarships, I love the fun and flexible atmosphere," said Baez. "Plus they are closed on Sundays and holidays." Photo by Mary Benton.





All in the family. Working at her parents' restaurant, senior Monica Chan collects menu's at China Max in the Lee Hill Shopping Center. Chan does more than what her role as hostess requires. She often works as a bus girl, cashier, and packer. Chan works on most holidays and for no pay, to help her family. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Dressing up. Stocking the aisle at Ukrops is one of senior Mark Blake's main responsibilities. The position at Ukrop's is Blake's first job. Photo by Mary Benton.





Big Bucks

What to do with all that Cash?



"The manager/owner of the Packaging Store told my Uncle that he needed help and that is how I got the job. The way the job fell in my lap and the fact that I needed the extra cash made me

take it. I make \$7.00 an hour and there is no set schedule. On school days I only work three hours and maybe six hours on Saturdays. My grades have pretty much stayed the same. My job doesn't take too much time out of my day." - **Brandon Rehberg**

"I work at JC Penney in Spotsylvania Mall straightening clothes and being a cashier, Thursday through Sunday. The money I make I'm saving for college and moving out of my house. I



work about 20 hours a week and I make \$6.25 an hour. Working in retail isn't much fun, but I like getting paid." - **Michele Krier**



"I work at Scott's Lawn Service as a telemarketer. I got the job by responding to an ad in the newspaper. They have good pay. I get commission for sales and I only work three

hours a day, so I can do other after school activities and go to work and get home by 9 p.m. to get my homework done. My boss is very flexible with the days I work and the people are great. I also have my Saturday afternoons and all day Sunday free, so I can still go out with my friends. I make \$7.00 an hour and \$2.00 for each sale I make. I give some to my church, use some for gas, and I deposit the rest." - Kimberly Thomas

Kid's corner. Every Sunday senior Elizabeth Easley goes to work at Maxim and Alexandra. "I needed the money for college." Easley said. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Road Trip

Automobile antics...



"A while back my family and I went on vacation to Virginia Beach. We took along rafts to use when were in the ocean, but we didn't have any where to put them. The rafts

ended up in the back seat and somehow all six of us ended up in the front seat." - Lawrence Suggs

"Every morning I ride with senior Jason Dempsey to school. I always play with the windshield wipers and air conditioning and mess with the radio. One time he threatened to leave



me on the side of the road if I touched anything again. That's the day I stopped doing that." - Nakole Charles



"A couple years ago I was playing with my CD player and ran into the back of a Honda Accord. I had to stand in the side of the road doing all the cop stuff for about an hour. I was pretty

embarrassed. As part of my punishment I had to pay for the damages. After that I learned to focus more on the road and not on my music." - Jon Hetrick

Social hour. While waiting for their bus to pull out of the parking lot, Kristina Lloyd and Kimmie Forrest compare I.D. cards. The two argued about whose picture turned out best. *Photo by Gracie Hart.*

Reminiscent. Boarding the bus after the senior picnic, Monica Chan and Josh Millaway look to find a seat. The ride to Loriella Park was the first time in a while that most of the seniors rode a school bus. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





Free taxi. On the way to school, Mary Henderson looks out the window of her parents' car. Henderson finds a more dependable mode of transportation in the morning with her parents. Photo by Scott Henderson.





Displaying personality

with Vanity plates

Left to Right: Juniors Danielle McKenrick and Emily Erwin compare their Powder Puff jerseys by McKenrick's car. Photo by Randall Pierce. Sitting on the hood of her car, senior Nichole Trigg waits patiently for her friends in the student parking lot after school. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.









Get in line. While waiting for the cars to clear out of the student parking lot after school, junior Frankie Belcher and Chris Ludowsky chat about how their day went. "Having my own car is a really good thing for me," said Belcher. "I never have to depend on the bus for a ride to school, or bug my parents for a ride anywhere else." Photo by Jennifer Warfield.

Zero to 60

So many miles so little time...

here was no one mode of transporta tion that students relied on to get to school. The time it took them to get there varied as well.

Sophomore Nakole Charles rode with a friend. "I ride to school with senior Jason Dempsey. It is definitely an advantage for me because I get to school on time, but a disadvantage to him because he has to come and pick me up. It usually takes us about fifteen minutes to get to school," added Charles.

Sophomore **Justin Smith** preferred getting a ride from friends. "You can do things like stop by the store and hang out in the parking lot and talk to friends, as opposed to rushing to catch the bus," said Smith. "It only takes about five minutes to get to school."



There was an advantage to sophomore John Campbell's mode of transportation as well. "I ride with my mom in the mornings because she teaches at the school. [However] it usually takes about twenty minutes for us to get to school, which is pretty long compared to most people," said Campbell.

Sophomore **Ryan Eustler** rode the "cheese" to and from school. "The worst thing about riding the bus is when I have to stand around and wait in the rain," said Eustler.

However, riding the bus was not all bad for Eustler. "The bus is the most reliable way to get to and from school. There is always plenty of room and it only takes about five minutes to get there," he said. by Melanie Williams

Down time. After a long day of school, juniors Cathy Hilker and Evan Cooper take a minute to chat by Hilker's car. Many students who drive to school hang out in the parking lot and wait for the buses to leave before leaving after the last bell of the day rings. Hilker does not have as much free time in the mornings though, "I'm always in a big rush going to school in the mornings because I always wake up late," said Hilker. "I leave my house around 7:20 in the morning, stop at Fas-Mart for a drink or snack, and that puts me at getting to school right when the 7:40 bell rings." Photo by Sara Newton.







Left to Right: In the student parking lot, Kyle Brock and Ricky Rivas talk about their plans for after school. Photo by Sara Newton. Steven Knight and Buddy Rodgers talk by Knight's truck after school. Photo by Sara Newton. Sara Newton puts her homecoming dress in the trunk of her car. Photo by Nakole Charles.

Senior Spirit

A last chance at Panther Pride

As students who have been in school the longest, seniors are the most likely to be adjusted and secure in their identities enough to participate more freely in activities that may endanger their pride, such as spirit days.

"As a senior I am a lot more outgoing and I don't care how stupid I look, plus this is my last year here so I might as well go all out," said **Shannon Voss**.

Most spirited seniors see their last year as a chance to pass the duty to the underclassmen.

"I think it's good to encourage underclassmen to participate in spirit days... seeing me as a role model. By acting like a maniac I lower the inhibitions of the younger students," said Adam Conner.

Conner was one of many outrageously attired seniors on school spirit day.

"I only have two teal things so I wore both of them and painted my hair silver. I made a senior hat out of paper in English class which I wore for the rest of the day and to the pep rally," he said.

Senior Courtney Snodgrass sits in Mrs. Fontenot's math class on Spirit Day. "Spirit is dedication to the school. The first year the school opened everyone came from different schools and [we were] divided. But as we've grown together these past couple of years, our spirit has also grown and now we have lots of pride," said Snodgrass. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

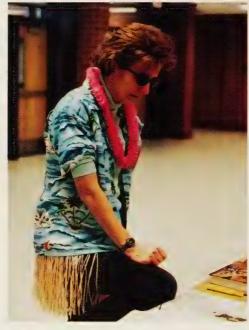




Heading into senior territory, Cherish Willis and Kelly Romine talk about their weekend plans during lunch on Spirit Day. "I have more school spirit as a senior after many years of high school. I'm now more involved in school activities," said Kelly Romine. Photo by Randall Pierce.

Bright outlook. On Hawaiian Day Rachel Mountjoy talks with Zac Shaw between classes. Shaw was one of many students who willingly participated in the week of spirit. Photo by Colleen Fowler.

Sunny disposition. Spirit days are not only for students but for teachers as well. All dressed up in her hula skirt Mrs. Dumene reads "The Growl" during her lunch on Hawaiian day. Photo by Colleen Fowler.





Slumber uniform. All decked out in his robe and plaid pajamas junior Adam Corey relaxes during lunch. Corey was one of many who showed lots of school spirit on the most comfortable day of the week. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Bear necessities. On Hat Day Melissa Bieger listens attentively during Mrs. Anderson's seventh period geography class. Bieger's dog hat was one of many unique hats students wore on Hat Day. Photo by Gracie Hart.









A week to prove that we are ...

2 Spirited 4 You

hroughout the week, ways of showing spirit were seen on almost every stu dent in the school. Wearing camouflage, Hawaiian outfits, hats, pajamas, and school colors on certain assigned days was the start of showing spirit for the homecoming game.

Hat day allowed students to break a rule for the day. Since hats were not usually allowed to be worn in the building, it was something for the students and staff to look forward to.

Senior **Colt Osterman** chose to wear his Atlanta Braves hat to show off his favorite team.

"I wear hats a lot so it was cool to get to wear a hat to school," said Osterman.

Another spirit day was pajama day, a bum day for some people. Students took advantage of not having to get dressed and ready for

school and just woke up and wore their pajamas to school.

"I just woke up and came to school," said senior **Patrick Sykes**. "I liked pajama day because I knew I didn't have to get dressed, so I could sleep five more minutes."

Hawaiian day let people dress in their favorite Hawaiian shirts and shorts.

"On Hawaiian day I wore a Hawaiian dress and my sandals," said senior **Shannon Voss**.

With cold weather fast approaching, Hawaiian day proved to be a last chance to wear shorts to school before winter arrived.

Spirit week was a fun time for everyone including teachers and students. Most who participated in spirit week were more than ready for the spirit battle that layed ahead at the football game. Many memories came from one of the biggest nights of the year, homecoming. by Steven Knight



Glimmer of spirit. Wearing a shiny gold hat, senior Krystal Kasen does her work in Ms. Jones' fourth period English twelve class. Kasen showed her unique personality with an out of the ordinary hat. Photo by Mary Benton.

Disguise. On Camouflage Day Ms. Creekmur gets help from the school nurse, Mrs. Fulton. Ms. Creekmur and Mrs. Fulton were two teachers who showed lots of spirit in their camouflage. Photo by Becky Hilker.



Bird on the brain. During lunch, Kelly Strong shows off her Parrot Head Club hat outside in the senior courtyard. Hat day proved to be the favorite spirit day of all grades year after year, judging by participation. Photo by Colleen Fowler.

Fall pep rally gets fans...

Ready 4 Action

s if the excitement of the fast ap proaching homecoming game could not get any higher, the pep rally held the afternoon before the game gave students an opportunity to add to their excitement. The school body filed into the gym to psyche themselves and the football team up for that evening's game against King George.

Some people, however, thought it could have been even more fun. "I wish the pep rally could have been longer and crazier," said junior Cole Eller.

Others, thought the pep rally was too quiet and students didn't participate as much as they could have. Junior **Alex Martin** and six of his junior friends had the word "juniors" spelled across their chests.

"We thought it would get our class pumped up for the pep rally if a couple of us did something out of the ordinary," said Martin.

Teamwork. During the pep rally, juniors Shana Romano and Cole Eller participate in the chicken in the hen house game. Romano and Eller worked well together but were unable to win the game. Photo by Sandy Woodcock.

The excitement didn't wear off after the pep rally. There was a loud and spirited crowd at the football game that night. The team was backed up by a huge number of students and fans that filled the stadium. They cheered the Panthers in hopes that they would beat the visiting first place Foxes. The crowd was full of excitement and hope as the game went on. "Everyone seemed to be pumped up and ready for a win," said junior **Debbie Moore**.

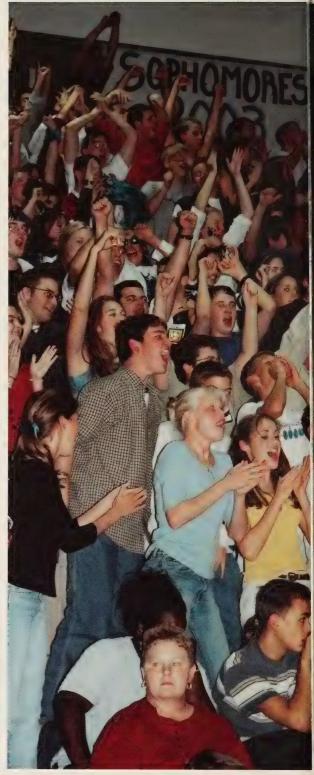
The game was not the only reason spectators showed up. "I looked forward to the homecoming game to see what couples would win the court," said junior **Mike Bragg**.

The night ended in a disappointing home-coming loss to the Foxes but the Panthers walked away with their heads up. Even though the game was lost, the fun was not over yet, there was more to come at the dance the next evening. by Steven Knight.



Stunt women. After weeks of practice, cheer-leaders show off their stunts and cheers during the pep rally. The cheerleading squad organized and planned how the pep rally would be held. Photo by Sandy Woodcock.

Shouted support. Sophomore Sarah Carter and senior Jo-Al Simmerman try to be the loudest ones in the gym as the field hockey players cheer for their team during the homecoming pep rally. Photo by Sandy Woodcock.



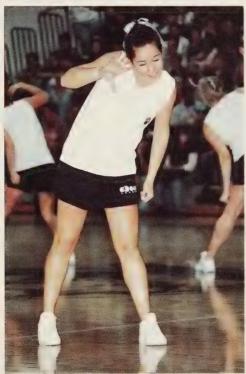




Heads of the class. Cheering for their class, the sophomores show off their spirit during the pep rally. As a large class the Class of '03 had an advantage over the rookie freshmen and the seasoned upperclassmen. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Stacking up. As a part of a game, the cheerleaders get on their hands and knees while their partners climb on their backs before time runs out. The games kept the student body involved in the pep rally. *Photo by Ashley Ferren*.





Senior spirit. Dancing in front of the whole school, senior Alicia Prickett showcases a move on the gym floor as a member of the cheerleading squad. The cheerleaders, along with the Dance team, provided the entertainment for the season's first pep rally. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Afternoon snack. After being pied by the varsity football players, varsity fall cheerleaders junior Angie Deitz and senior Mica Soto seem to enjoy their sticky treat. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*



The students chosen to make up the 2000 homecoming court were introduced at the pep rally and during halftime at the game on Friday night. Members on the court had to stay after school to practice for the halftime show.

"We had one official practice, the Wednesday before homecoming in the parking lot. The pep rally was a practice too in that it helped us get a little more comfortable," said homecoming queen **Grace Santiago**.

"The practice after school wasn't hard, they just showed us basically what we were going to have to do", said senior **Patrick Sykes**.

After the winners were announced at the game on Friday night they were then introduced at the dance on Saturday night as they walked across a red carpet.

"I was so nervous. My heart was racing, and the announcement seemed to take forever," said Santiago.

Sykes was both excited and nervous about his appearance during halftime. "When I was walking across the field, I just keep saying to myself, don't trip, don't trip."



While practicing for homecoming court. juniors Erin Watson and Zac Shaw listen for instructions for the homecoming game during halftime. members of the court were chosen by their class members and had to attend practices after school the week before the homecoming football game to prepare for their role in the festivities. Photo by Leigha Surles.



Preparing for homecoming night, junior Sommer Wells listens to what Mr. King and Mrs. Newton have to say. Many students participated in helping set up for the game. *Photo by Chris Petrie.*



Before and

After

Homecoming fun began early and ended late

Even after all the songs were over, the streamers were pulled down, and the last car had pulled out of the parking lot, everyone was not ready to call it a night. "We got home around I [a.m.] because the dance wasn't over until midnight and then we had to clean up. [We had to] put the tables back, sweep, and clean up everybody's messes up," said junior **Emily Erwin**.

"After homecoming I was so tired that four of us went back to Jennifer Klarman's date's house and fell asleep on the couch. I couldn't believe that was the way the night ended, but I was so tired that I didn't care," said senior Jenni Ziegler.

"About twenty people came over to my house. Some people stayed until about 3 [a.m.], later than I would have. I was tired and I wanted to go to bed," said Erwin.

Trying dresses on for size at the mall, sophomore Nakole Charles and junior Sara Newton shop for Homecoming outfits. The girls, along with junior Cathy Hilker, spent an entire day shopping together to get each other's opinions. "The trip was last minute and being with my friends made the task much more fun," said Newton. Photo by Cathy Hilker.





After the lengthy four-hour Homecoming dance, senior Mark Blake relaxes on senior Richard Erwin's couch. "I worked all day and then went to the dance. I went to my friend's house afterwards, and I was so tired I just crashed," said Blake. Photo by Randall Pierce.

Holding Court. After being crowned Homecoming King and Queen, seniors Tim Allmond and Grace Santiago share a dance together in the spotlight in front of their fellow classmates. *Photo by Segall-Majestic*.

Making an entrance. Heather Mehrs and Chad Lumpkins arrive at the Homecoming dance. Students who did not drive themselves were brought by friends, parents, and in some cases even limos. Photo by Segall-Majestic.

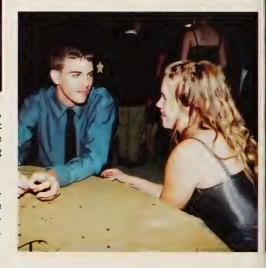




Complimentary colors. Fitting in with the theme, juniors Mary Geraci and Conrad Coe arrive at the dance, both with hair streaked in red. The couple coordinated both their hair and clothing for the evening. *Photo by Segall-Majestic*.

Star gazing. Taking a break from dancing, juniors Jarod Boorman and Brandy Hall chat in the commons area, which was used to serve refreshments and gave students an opportunity to talk. Photo by Segall-Majestic.







A Night that turned out to be...

4"4-Star" Evening

fter a week-long celebration the dance was the grand finale that capped off the entire week of Homecoming festivities. For four hours, students and their dates danced the night away on the gym floor beneath flashing lights while listening to loud music, most unaware of the people behind the scenes who made it happen: The Student Council Association.

"We started planning in the middle of August," said Homecoming chairman **Bridget Benedict**. "We ended up changing our theme the second week of school to "Roll Out the Red Carpet," so we had to start all over again."

"Homecoming came so quickly. Decorations and orders were late getting here and we were so frustrated," said SCA President **Lenora Bowler**. "I just helped with whatever I could. I was in and out of everything".

The SCA had help from plenty of willing volunteers, including some non-SCA members, who happily joined in decorating for the dance.

"We spent three hours setting up on Friday before the game, six hours on Saturday, and two hours cleaning up after the dance. We had a lot more to clean up this year because we used both the gym and the commons. I remember someone had painted the gym floor with nail polish. That was strange," said Benedict.

"All this, not even to mention the entire week we spent cleaning up all the salvaged decorations and leftover food in the SCA office," said Benedict.

"Overall, I think Homecoming was a success. We had a good turnout, and I was really impressed with everything the SCA accomplished," said Bowler. by Heather Benson



In the crowd. Surrounded by dancers, Laura Mallet and Ashley Titus make room to move. Although the gym was crowded, many students found there to be more space this year. *Photo by Segall-Majestic*.

Attention getting. Katie Goad chats with Conner Ross while taking a break with her date, Dane Lewis. Lewis said the dance was better this year because it was in the gym which made it less crowded. *Photo by Segall-Majestic.*



Held close. Taking advantage of their time together, sophomore Brandon Schifflet and junior Tiffany Williams talk and laugh during a slow dance. Photo by Segall-Majestic.



Role Reversal

Cheerleading provides change of pace

The girls on the field were not the only ones shivering at the Powder Puff game. To complete the night of role reversal, five boys donned skirts, pantyhose, and wigs to take over the cheerleading positions.

"It was so cold that night, and all I was wearing was a little skirt," said junior Chris Petrie.

The cheerleaders kept the spectators spirited with an element of comic relief, while the players fought for class supremacy on the field. "They were disorganized, but for guys they were pretty good," said freshman **Jacob Lonell**.

"I wanted to have fun and I thought I would get a pretty good laugh out of that and I like to make people laugh," said Petrie.

"It adds to the game, people want to see them acting foolish," said Lonell. "That's what most people go to see."

"I thought it was funny," said freshman **Michelle Clark**. "The cheerleaders were my favorite part. I wish more guys would do it."

While wearing a jacket to compensate for his bare legs, junior Cheerleader Gray Scott revs up the crowd during the Panther freezing Bowl in For the weather. game, five brave male students dressed as female cheerleaders and performed several special cheers they had learned and practiced after school the weeks before, during both games. Photo by Segall-Majestic.



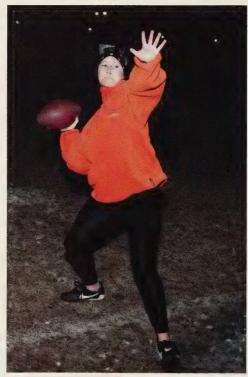


During a practice for the juniors, Coach Bullock gathers his team into a huddle to work on some plays. The Junior team practiced at Loriella Park for two weeks prior to the game in order to keep the Seniors from learning their secrets for success. *Photo by Randall Pierce.*

Warm up. Flexing their muscles, juniors Shana Romano and Anne Payne Bullock taunt the seniors while taking a warm-up lap. Both teams circled the track to prepare for for the challenge ahead. *Photo by Segall-Majestic.*

Game plan. During practice, seniors Carmen Rios and Amanda Antosh work out a play on the Laura Weidenbach's back. They practiced every day for two weeks, including a scrimmage against the freshmen. *Photo by Randall Pierce*.





Winding up. During a pregame warm-up, senior Jessica Dorsey tries to prepare her arm for the fight ahead. During the game Dorsey, the starting quarterback, connected several times with receivers for large gains. *Photo by Segall-Majestic.*

Fearless leader. Barking out orders to his team members, Coach Burner informs them of the next play. The Senior team had five basic plays that they perfected for the game plus several other "trick" plays. *Photo by Segall-Majestic*.







This season proved to be...

Number 3 for '02

n a cold November night two teams collided head on in an epic struggle for class supremacy. As the game started, eager spectators watched the Junior team take on the Senior team in what came to be called the "Panther Bowl." Each teams goal was to obtain the bragging rights to the Powder Puff 2001 Panther Bowl Championship.

During the game, the players had to fight the weather as temperatures dipped down to record breaking lows.

"I think that might have been the coldest I have ever been in my life," said senior Carmen Rios.

The weather didn't bother everybody, however. As both teams prepared to take the field many girls who normally appear calm turned into bloodthirsty football maniacs.

"To pump up for the game all of us went to the team lockers in the field house and yelled at each other and pushed each other around," junior **Katy McDowell** said about her team. "So we were all psyched to play."

The game started with the Seniors scoring first. "It felt great when we scored our first touchdown," said senior Laura Weidenbach.

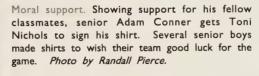
Strong defense from both teams prevented scoring until the fourth quarter when junior **Shana Romano** just barely got into the end zone to score before being leveled by two members of the Class of 2001.

"Even though I was hurt on the outside, I felt great on the inside because I knew we had won," said Romano.

As time wound down the game ended with a final score of 12-6 in favor of the Juniors.

"I loved playing in the Powder Puff game," said McDowell, "and I can't wait until next year to beat the [Class of 2003]." by Josh Cox





Game face. Ready for battle, senior Tiffany Clark prepares to take the field. Many players found their own ways to intimidate the other team while pumping themselves up at the same time. Photo by Segall-Majestic.



Bundle up. Using a blanket to stay warm, senior Ashley Greer receives some valuable advice from Coach Bennett. During the weeks before the Powder Puff game, players had to deal with record setting lows in temperature. Photo by Randall Pierce.



The sophomores proved that '03 was

2 Much 4'04

hile the upperclassmen had an advantage of experience, the un derclassmen were just being introduced to the struggle between classes that is, Powder Puff football.

Powder Puff was the game of flag football, taken to a new level. For one night, the girls battled it out on the field while the guys took care of the fans. The girls wore the uniforms, while the guys wore skirts and wigs.

It was their chance to "show the guys up," said sophomore **Reagan Merriam**, one of the Powder Puff players from the victorious sophomore team.

"My favorite part was trading places with the guys," said freshman Carley Rehberg.

"My favorite part was beating the freshmen," said sophomore Samantha Green.

"Another thing I liked was making the shirts. That was a lot of fun."

"I thought playing Powder Puff was a fun experience," said Merriam. "When I caught the ball to score the extra two points after Sarah Carter's touchdown, my finger started hurting. I looked down and my finger started swelling. But I didn't give up and I made the two points."

The only way the girls could win was through teamwork and dedication.

"Powder Puff was a lot of fun because we all knew each other. We all worked as a team," said sophomore **Brianna Scott**.

"It made it even better playing with my friends," said Rehberg.

The sophomores went on to easily beat the freshmen 8-0. **by Megan Borders**



Underdogs. After catching a pass, freshman Emily Weidenbach runs for a touchdown. "My most memorable moment was when I intercepted the ball. Our team's confidence went up, and we thought we might have a chance to win," said Weidenbach. Photo by Segall-Majestic.



Shotgun. Practicing and warming up on the sidelines, sophomore Lori Cox throws the football to a teammate before the game. "During practice I jammed the same finger twice. It didn't really hurt during the game though," said Cox. *Photo* by Segall-Majestic.

Bench warmers. Trying to stay warm, the freshmen sit on the bench during the game. The temperatures were below freezing that night. Photo by Segall-Majestic.





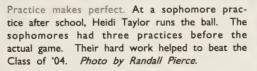


Class of '03, #1. Congratulating each other after their victory over the freshmen, sophomores Sarah Carter and Shanicka Jones walk off the field hugging each other to keep warm. *Photo by Segall-Majestic*.

Team support. Sophomores Ashley Yeager and Giselle Slye cheer for their teammates from the sidelines. Although all of the players could not be on the field at the same time, their spirit was appreciated. *Photo by Segall-Majestic*.







Teamwork. The sophomore team gathers in a huddle to both keep warm and get psyched up before the game ahead of them. The sophomores went on to win the game over the freshmen, 8-0. *Photo by Randall Pierce*.



Creative pieces of pride

To display their individuality through their jerseys, the Powder puff players designed and created original shirts to wear during both the school day and the game. To some players the shirts were their favorite part of playing Powder Puff.

"We made our shirts in the commons area after school. We all bought a long-sleeved or short-sleeved black shirt and we brought in our own paint," said sophomore Samantha Green.

"We decorated the shirts ourselves. The senior shirts had a silver Superman symbol and we added our own touches. Most of them had intimidating sayings on them for the juniors to read," said senior **Heather Schnell**. "Mine had blood and a picture of a devil on it, to be kind of scary."

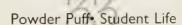
The sophomores took a more unified approach, "we voted and decided to put "Bring It" on the front and we put our numbers and nicknames on the back. We got to pick our own numbers, I used my field hockey number. It made me feel spirited because everyone else had teal and black on for their sport," said Green.



Preparing for the Powder Puff game, sophomore Mackenzie Reynolds makes her shirt. The team got together on Wednesday before the game make creative, matching shirts with glittery paint. The girls put their names and numbers on their jerseys along with their graduation year and some had personal or motivational sayings. Photo by Becky Hilker.



After realizing they have messed up on their matching jerseys, sophomores Reagan Merriam, Samantha Green, and Brianna Scott have to figure out a way to fix their shirts without starting over. *Photo by Becky Hilker.*



One Act Play

very day for two and a half months, sophomore Kelly Schnabel sat in her seventh period class and waited anxiously for the bell to ring and dismiss her for the day. She sat in classrooms for seven hours and she waited for the school day to be over. Not so she could go home or hang out with friends, Schnabel was excited about going to rehearse for over an hour for the one act play in which she was a cast member.

"The amount of time we put into this was definitely a lot. But, every rehearsal was fun and worthwhile. It was definitely worth it when we got to see all of our hard work pay off," Schnabel said.

And the cast's hard work certainly did pay off. The play placed first in districts, first in regionals, third in states and third at the Virginia Theatre Association Conference.

Sophomore **Elisabeth Klughardt** agreed with Schnabel. "We put in seven and a half hours a week for about two and a half months. But the cast was amazing and all of our

practice certainly had a big part in triggering our success," said Klughardt.

"While our days were a lot more busy and we had less free time, we would never have been so successful if we hadn't of put all that time into it. I think we all had fun putting on this production and time and effort was definitely outweighed by all the fun, excitement, and success," said Schnabel.

As with most things in life, working hard and practicing often was essential to make something successful, and putting on a play was no different.

Aaron Stone, who played *Who* and Laura Nelson, who played *Whom* won awards for their excellent contributions to the very successful show. Stone and Nelson received best actor and actress at both the District and State competitions.

"Everyone in the show worked equally hard and all made a contribution to the show and its success," said stage manager Kim Thomas. by Laura Moran

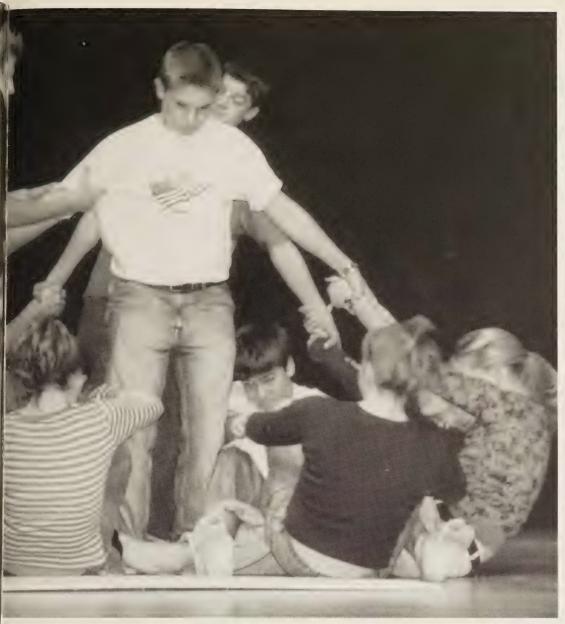


Determined. Before the play gets started, senior T.J. McNally sets up the electrical equipment on stage. Everyone in the show worked hard and made a contribution to the show and it's success, even if it was not on stage. *Photo by Lauren Clements*.

Spotlight. Putting on his best, senior Aaron Stone rehearses the play after school in the auditorium. Stone played one of the main roles in the play, Who and won best actor at both the District and State competitions. *Photo by Monica Nava.*





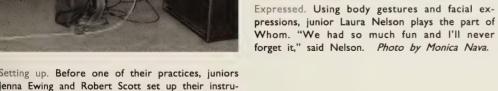


Teamwork. As fellow cast members tug at their arms, junior Michael Toner and freshmen Jesse Stone try to maintain their balance during one of the practices. The cast of the play practiced nearly every day for about two and a half months. Photo by Lauren Clements.

Dedicated. Standing next to Mrs. Kemp, senior Kim Thomas watches as cast members of the one act play rehearse their performance. Thomas was the stage manager for the play and worked to ensure that everything ran smoothly on stage. Photo by Monica Nava.











Working together. After school, members of the show listen to Ms. Kemp in the auditorium. The group won first place at Districts, received third place at Regionals and went on to place third in States. *Photo by Monica Nava.*

Once again, Winter Break proved to be the

Shortest 13 Days Ever

inter break was a total of thirteen days, including an extra day off for snow. With many different holidays to celebrate and people to visit, everyone spent this holiday a little bit differently.

Junior Amanda Heiman had a far from boring winter break. On the last day before break, she flew with her sister to Arizona to visit her dad for five days.

"My dad and step-mom were getting married on the twenty second, which is also my birthday," said Heiman.

Amanda and 150 other guests all celebrated a wedding, birthday, and Christmas on the same day.

"I didn't really like it. There were some people I didn't know and it was really hectic," said Heiman. "It was hard to enjoy it without worrying about something."

After all the festivities, Heiman and her close family went to Mexico for another five days. It turned out to be an enjoyed vacation.

"It was really nice to sit back and sight-see for a few days. There weren't a lot of people and it was relaxing for a change," said Heiman.

After traveling, it was back home on the thirty first for one more Christmas celebration with her family here and New Year's.

All the rushing around didn't prevent Heiman from enjoying her holiday.

"I got to go to a wedding, have my birthday, and celebrate Christmas twice. It was kind of like one long party," said Heiman. "The only bad part was that I was back in school before I knew it. Time really did fly by."

Heiman would just have to wait for Spring Break to relax. **by Mary Flanigen**



Show off. Celebrating the season, juniors D'Angelo Bell, Erin Watson, and Ashley Pixley sign Christmas carols to teachers in their American Sign Language class. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Make a mess. With marshmallows in hand, junior Krystal Jackson attempts to build a roof for her gingerbread house. Jackson and other students in the Personal Development class tried to help others get into the Christmas spirit. Photo by Ashley Ferren.







Little helpers. Dressed up as Santa's elves, seniors Jason Dempsey and Mike Scelzo await the arrival of the bus that will take them to read to elementary school students for their English class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Surprise. Discovering who her secret Santa was, senior Toni Nichols opens a Christmas present in her math class from friend senior Amanda Ray. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





Delicious. Carefully adding another wall to a gingerbread house, Mrs. Clark and senior Margie Charters focus on the task at hand. The class baked their own gingerbread and used icing to put them together. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*



Tree trimming. Taking part in the holiday spirit, sophomores Allison Grau and Giselle Slye put their handmade ornaments on the Christmas tree in the Spanish room during their Spanish III class. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

Ready to go. All dressed up to go to an elementary school with Mrs. Gebhart's English class, seniors Megan Aldrich and Theresa Diehr get ready to leave school and read to younger students. "I got extra credit if I volunteered to read, and I love little kids. It got me in the Christmas spirit and it was a lot of fun," said Aldrich. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach.*

Don't worry, exams are only worth

1/7th of Your Stress

three page review packet, old tests, notes, and lots of studying. The middle of the year brought the great feeling of being halfway there as well as the feeling of dread when mid-terms rolled around. Only counting for one seventh of the semester grade, some students thought that the exams were pointless.

"I hate them. They are a waste of time that could be better spent actually teaching us something. If you're not in a semester class then you shouldn't have a semester exam," said senior TI McNally.

To some students they were not a big deal, that should not have caused the stress that they did but to others they were a big problem. They only occur twice a school year and counted for a small fraction of their final grade.

"They usually end up hurting my grades because I don't learn as well as others and I have to study a lot harder, and they shouldn't count against you either," said sophomore Kristina Lloyed.

The school day for the average student consisted of five required classes and two electives, but the actual number of exams students took varied.

"I have to take... well, 7," said senior **Joey Payton**.

"Right now just 5 because there is no drama exam," said McNally.

In order to prepare, some people slept longer, and others chose to eat a big breakfast. Those who were not even remotely stressed out just went along like it was a normal week.

"The only way they effect your grades is if you fail them so I'm not nervous at all," said McNally.

"I sleep about six or seven hours a night usually and that's what I try to get but [during exams] I'm usually worried and I can't sleep," said Lloyed. by Leigha Surles



Carbon copy. Using a picture out of a magazine junior Chris White creates a masterpiece with his oil pastels. He had to draw faces for his art exam. "It was better than writing the whole time like other exams. I didn't have to practice or study," said White. Photo by Ashley Ferren.



Advanced technology. Staring into the video camera, sophomore junior Whitney Clark signs for her American Sign Language exam. The students had to watch a tape with questions on it and then sign the answers into the camera. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Artistic expression. Concentrating on his picture, senior Derek Yarrington draws a portion of a face. "It was easy, it only took an hour to finish," said Yarrington. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*





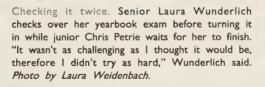


Reference material. Copying a picture from a magazine, senior Chris Bouldin draws parts of a face. The art seminar students were required to draw pictures for their semester exams. "It's easy to draw faces, I've always been good at it," said Bouldin. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Making a list. Mr. McMillan writes the names of people who ordered Exam Survival Kits during exam week. The exam kits were ordered mainly by parents. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.







Laying out. Sophomore Monica Nova finishes putting together her layout she was required to complete for her photojournalism exam. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*



Exams that are anything but by the book

He sat nervously in the classroom where he was about to take one of the strangest tests he had ever taken. Trying to make the best of the situation he sat down and tried to prepare. The nervousness would not go away. Failure was not an option.

Senior **Jeremiah Frazier** completed the first semester of Sign Language II in order to exempt himself from the final

"We had to go into another room with someone and sign to them," said Frazier.

"The teacher watched us and she video taped us as well." he said.

But the answers did not lie in whether or not he had studied the night before, how hard he had studied, and how tough the exam really was. It all depended on how much he had paid attention in class, and whether or not he was camera shy.

"I thought I did better than the other guy cause he didn't seem to know what he was doing, but I guess not because I got a 'D'," said Frazier.



Staring down. Looking over the story she had to write for her yearbook exam, sophomore Caroline Smith finds the mistakes in her story. For the exam yearbook students had to write a story, crop pictures and design a layout. "The exam itself was hard I thought," said Smith. "I wasn't really prepared for it either." Photo by Weidenbach.



Creating a masterpiece. Completing the finishing touches on her drawing required for her art exam, junior Josephine De edges the corner of her drawing with an oil pastel. "For my exam I had to draw a mask and turbine," said De. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Wake up. Leaned against a row of lockers, Senior Justin Peabody waits outside his class-room for the morning bell to ring. Many students socialized or rested while waiting for teachers. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Silence. With heads bowed, seniors Shannon Vitarious and Kimberly Thomas participate in the moment of silence. The new state law required students to spend the moment in any quiet way they wanted. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





t 3:00 am , while most students were still asleep, senior Megan Yoder was; getting dressed to go ride her horse. When she finished, Yoder came home and got ready for school. This was her ritual Monday through Friday every week.

"I've been riding for three years now that it has become a part of my life and I love it," said Yoder.

"Getting up [early] on school days isn't the hard part anymore, it's doing it day after day. The repetitiveness sometimes gets on my nerves," she said.

After waking up at 3 a.m., driving 15 minutes to the stables, riding her horse for an

hour or two, and then driving 15 minutes back to her house, Yoder took her morning shower. She then ate breakfast and headed off to school at 7:15 a.m. with only 5 hours of sleep.

"I've adjusted to the amount of sleep I get on the weekdays. I don't go to bed any earlier than any of my friends do either, "said Yoder. "I am lucky enough to gain some sleep back on the weekends when I'm not working"

After school her day was not over yet. She went off to work for 5 hours, came home, relaxed, did some of her schoolwork, and then headed off to bed at her usual "around 10" bedtime. Before the sun even began to rise, she was up and performing her daily routine all over again. by Laura Wunderlich



Day in the Life ...



Routine. As a part of getting ready for school, sophomore Nakole Charles prepares to brush her teeth. Charles said that on average it did not take her very long to get ready in the morning. Whether it was picking out an outfit or fixing their hair, most girls took more time getting ready for school than the boys did. *Photo by Sara Newton*.



morning shower, sophomore Lindsay Lascara finishes her homework. Much of Lascara's after-school time was spent at cheerleading practice, so she used time in the mornings to study. Other students finished their homework in the commons area or hallways in the morning. Photo by Katrina Culpepper.

Late to rise. Slowly trying to wake up, senior Justin Newton stays in bed after his alarm goes off. Newton said he wished he could have slept in more often. Most students woke up between 6:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. in order to get ready and make it to the bus stop or their parking spot on time before the tardy bell rang. Photo by Sara Newton.



Chow down. With fork in hand, senior Kelly Strong finds the time to sit down and eat breakfast before school. "My mothers fixes me breakfast," said Strong, "but sometimes I skip it if I'm not hungry." Students who did not have time to eat at home purchased items from the cafeteria snack machines before school. Photo by Colleen Fowler.





Snuggle up. Tucked in between the sheets, senior Kelly Diaz enjoys the last few minutes of sleep before her alarm goes off. Most students asked had an average of 6 to 8 hours of sleep a night. Photo by Mindi Miller.

Spoon fed. Before getting ready for school, freshman Mary Henderson eats her breakfast while curled up on the couch. Henderson said she had enough time to watch T.V. and eat before getting ready for school. Photo by Scott Henderson.





Listen up. Before leaving for school, senior Kayti Ackely answers a phone call. Students were not permitted to have cell phones or pagers at school. All phone calls had to be made from the payphone. Photo by Heather Benson.



Freezing. Anxiously awaiting the arrival of their bus, Becky Hutchinson, Lisa Catalono, and Katie Farnaham talk in the early morning hours. Busses picked students up between 6:50 a.m. and 7:15 a.m. "It was so cold in the winter," said Farnham, "When you're freezing, it seems like the bus will never come." Photo by Heather Benson.



Wallflower. Upon arrival before the bell, senior Josh Rawe awaits the start of the day. Students spent their mornings in the hallways and commons area. "I usually just wander around and talk to people or sit in the corner and sleep more," Rawe said. Other students were spotted sleeping at the commons tables. Photo by Jennifer Warfield.



Finishing touches. In order to complete her project, senior Carmen Rios utilizes the large tables in the library to finish a Government project before class begins. Students often used the library for last minute changes to research projects the mornings they were due to be turned in. *Photo by Heather Benson*.



Lot's play Every Tuesday and Wednesday night, senior Letitia Bowler babysits Chelsea and Christian Cain. They took turns playing LIFE on the computer and talked about how their day went. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Spirited At a basketball game, sophomores Shane Brooks, Justin Smith and Bobby Quesenbery show off their spirit. Brooks wore a T-shirt that said, "Massaponax is better than everyone." *Photo by Lauren Clements*.





Stretch. On Wednesday nights, junior Brittany Lutz attends dance class. At the beginning of the class, the students had to stretch. Lutz goes to dance class every Wednesday night. Photo by Lauren Clements.



Pumped up. During an intense basketball game on a Friday night against Courtland, junior Jeanell Bumpus cheers for the team. Basketball games were a popular evening activity. After going into overtime, the team beat Courtland with a hard fought ten point lead, making the score 68-58. Photo by Lauren Clements.



Wide eyed. On Saturday night, sophomore Sheri Culpepper talks to sophomore Megan Barley on the phone before going to bed. Barley made Culpepper laugh after telling her a joke. The two have been friends for three years and counting and often talk on the phone for hours in the evening. Photo by Katrina Culpepper.



Computer concentration. On a Sunday night, sophomore Michael McLain does his homework. McLain procrastinated until Sunday to do his work as many students tend to do. He didn't want to do it over the weekend because he wanted to enjoy the time without doing anything involving school. *Photo by Lauren*

Clements.

Spaced out. At the performance cafe, Orbits, junior Jenna Ewing spends her Monday night singing and playing the guitar. Ewing has been performing there for two years. A number of students have made a habit of spending their Monday nights being entertained by Ewing and the other performers at Orbits. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.







Shopaholic. Considering purchasing a gray sweater, junior Tara Hedrick shops at American Eagle in Spotsylvania Mall one night after school. Photo by Lindsay Klotz.

Shovel it in. While the lobby of the theatre is empty, sophomore Mindi Miller takes advantage of the free time by eating popcorn at work. "I've worked at Marquee Cinemas for two months now," said Miller. She works the cash register and the door stand. *Photo by Jon Dressler*.



s the clock finally inched toward day's end, most kids packed up and anx iously waited to be dismissed. At last the bell sounded and students left school. Some kids left for work, some for home, and some stayed for after-school activities.

"Sometimes I stay after school for the chess club. Other times I just go home and play chess on the Internet or something," said sophomore Russell Wrightson.

"I talk on the phone and usually go out with friends," said sophomore Suzanne Sykes.

"When I come home from school I always eat, take a nap, and I do my homework," said sophomore **Candice Page**. "Then sometimes I get online. Also I go to cheerleading

practice or go somewhere with friends."

"I usually get on the phone or get on the Internet a lot," said sophomore Megan Lecount. "Then I do my homework and go to bed."

"I basically do my homework and talk to friends," said sophomore **Ginny Holloway**. "I also play my guitar."

"I go home and practice yoga. I feel that it cleanses my soul and spirit and I feel more refreshed, and that way I am ready for the next day," said freshman Sara Rababy. "I am also a member of the Indoor track team. A lot of evenings I am consumed with that." by Megan Borders

... of a Student



Jammin. On a Tuesday night, Brett Woldanski practices with his bandmate. The two practice in a garage on Tuesday nights to perfect their talents showcased in their band Zero Hour. Students who participate in extracurricular activities outside of school are given the chance to meet more people. Photo by Mindi Miller.

Lets play ball. At a Spotsylvania Parks and Recreation basketball game, junior Jon Gardner awaits the next play to begin. Gardner plays basketball on Tuesday nights and has to finish his school work after school before he goes, in order to participate in his extra-curricular activity. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Pigging out. Spending his Wednesday night at home, sophomore Matty Van Allan eats chips and muffins rather than watching television or shopping to keep himself busy. After waking up early and spending a long day at school most students enjoy the opportunity to go home and relax. Photo by Lindsay Klotz.

Getting buff. Utilizing one of the many brand new pieces of gym equipment in the fitness center, The Gym, sophomore Erik Dupilka works his arm muscles. Dupilka goes to exercise at The Gym, which opened this year every Thursday after school to keep his body in shape when he is not playing soccer. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



1 on 1 Culture

hroughout the auditorium the sounds of laughter, music, and interesting sayings such as *Oli, Otya* and *Gyendi* could be heard thanks to Ssuuna, an African story teller and dancer from Uganda.

This assembly was not ordinary in that, Ssuuna encouraged audience participation.

"It wasn't like he was just talking to us," said junior **Whitney Clark**. "He danced and played instruments and let us join in with him."

"I liked the cow dance," said senior Victoria Blankenbaker. "The best part was when all the people went on stage to try to do it but they couldn't do it."

Perhaps the main highlight was

when Ssuuna invited several teachers on stage to try their hand at the Banana Dance.

My favorite part was when he got Coach Osso to dance," said sophomore **Sarah Lyons**. "It was totally unexpected and not like him at all."

One of the lucky few how got to test their musical skills on authentic African instruments was senior **Brandon Rehberg**. "It was harder to play then I thought," said Rehberg. "I play guitar but I have never played anything with only one string and I had never used a bow before."

The dancing, music, stories, and laughter added up to a fun and memorable time. by Josh



Beat down. Playing the djembe, freshman Aaron Kelly blasts out a funky rhythm while Ssuuna listens. Throughout the assemblies Ssuuna showed off many authentic African drums and other instruments. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Jam Time. As she attempts to play an instrument, junior Meghan Gillingham laughs when she fails to produce the proper sound. Ssuuna invited students on stage to experience what it was like to play an African instrument. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





Bust a Move. After being invited on stage to perform the Banana Dance, Mr. Cooley, Ms. Kain, and Mrs. Holland shake their stuff. Seeing the teachers try their luck at the dance was a particularly memorable moment for many audience members. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Close-up. With their arms raised high, junior Greg Pavela and senior Richard Erwin shout an African chant in the front row. "I wanted to get the best view possible," said Erwin. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.







Shake, shake, shake. With morrocoes in their hands, sophomores Carrie Smith and Patricia Sloan join in on the music with Ssuuna. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Piano man. Ssuuna plays a pianolike instrument made of different pieces of wood. Ssuuna also performed many different dances and sang. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Feedback

How did you like the assembly?



"I thought it was really good to bring in an African person to talk to our school. I thought it was a great assembly. I'm really glad they had an African American assembly. I think everyone

enjoyed themselves. My favorite part was when [Ssuuna] put on grass skirts and showed us how to dance. I thought it was neat that I got to go onstage at the assembly, but it was a little embarrassing, other than that I had a great time." - Shelly Michael

"The reason I went up on stage was because I really wanted to see what it was like to play one of those big drums. A freshman got it before me, so instead I just clapped my hands



and got the crowd going. It was a good experience because it taught us about the African culture and it was entertaining too."

- Justin Carrico



"It was fun going up on stage and learning how to do an African dance. We put on grass skirts and danced around the stage. I enjoyed the assembly because it was interesting to

learn about African culture. It was so embarrassing being up there in front of all those people. But it was really funny watching all of the guys have to get up and dance in those grass skirts."- Melissa Steiniger

Holding your breath and

Counting on Cupid

Sugar and spice and everything nice, that's what Valentine's Day was made of. But for the people who bought gifts for others it was not just about sugar and spice, or hugs and kisses for that matter.

"I spent like \$80 on my friends and family. Everyone needs to feel appreciated on a holiday like this," said senior **Katie Ackley**.

And picking up the right gift for the right person made it even harder.

"I bought my mom a little stuffed animal and a card and she enjoyed it very much," said senior Megan Aldrich.

For sophomore Katie Nissley, February fourteenth meant more than just hearts and candy. "Valentine's Day is my birthday, so it makes it extra special," said Nissley. "I was my mom's Valentine's Day present; she got flowers and me. But besides it being my birthday, I love it because it's just a day for

love."

No matter how much money could have and was spent and no matter what people could have done on Valentine's Day and did for some it wasn't special.

"The reason I don't like Valentine's Day is because if you really need to set aside just one day to tell the person you love that you love them, then there's something wrong with your relationship," said sophomore **Megan Hepp**. "You should be telling them that every day," said Hepp.

"I think that Valentine's Day is way to commercialized. It's for couples to boast and brag about how much money they spent on this or that. I think that if you love someone then Valentines Day should be every day. But if it was then I'd be broke so it's okay," said Ackley. by Leigha Surles and Megan Borders



Gleeful. Showing off her Valentine to the office staff, junior Tonia Rutherford holds her bouquet of flowers for everyone to see. The office was filled with dozens of flower arrangements waiting to be delivered to students and faculty. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.



Adore me. While holding a giant, stuffed teddy bear, Stephanie Williams talks to her friends. Many students received stuffed animals as an alternative to candy or flowers. *Photo by Heather Benson*.

Follow the leader. Strung on a leash, senior Eric Depollo is led around by Meghan Gillingham at the Valentine's dance. The dance was sponsored by the FCCLA as a semi-formal the weekend before Valentine's Day. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*





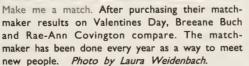


Special delivery. With a look of surprise, senior Stephanie Holland receives flowers during class. Office aides delivered gifts during all periods, or as they arrived. Gifts included flowers, candy, and stuffed animals. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Just friends. After receiving a valentine from her friend, Amanda Liepelt's Valentines Day was made a little bit more special. Many friends exchanged Valentine's gifts, not just couples. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.







Mesmorized. While taking a break from the dance, Candace Varnell and Isaac Van Epps rest their feet. The dance was held in the commons area on Saturday night a few days before Valentines Day. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Oute in Alboure

Some went out to dinner or stay at home, some went out, and some treated it as just another day.

"I wrote my Valentine a poem and took her out to dinner," said junior **Jeremy Hayes**. "We got a little group together and we all went to Red Lobster. It was great. I enjoyed the night very much," said Hayes.

Others preferred to just stay at home and do something special. Junior **Zac Shaw** decided he was going to set up a room filled with candles and invite his Valentine, junior Emily Erwin, over to eat and enjoy the night together. "I enjoyed my Valentine's Day, I wanted to make it special," Shaw said. "I made a CD with all of her favorite songs on it and we spent the evening with each other, listening to music, dancing, and having fun," said Shaw.

Throughout the day at school some girls reveived gift deliveries, nother way of showing affection for a Valentine. Junior **Sara Stultz** received a bouquet of balloons while in her seventh period class. "I was really excited when I received them, a guy from work sent them to me," she said. "It made my Valentine's Day great. I couldn't stop smiling."



Surprise comes over senior Erica Von Oeven's face as she reads her matchmaker results. The SCA had the matchmaker event as a fun way to see who would be compatible and to raise more for they Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Students filled out surveys in their first period classes, the surveys were then compared and the results were sold. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



While selling matchmaker lists, juniors Mandi Cabral and Sarah Stultz look over the results of everyone's lists. Students compared their list of friends and found the results to be both humorous and and in some cases surprising. Photo by Mary Benton.



Pep Rally

A gym full of Panthers

The week before the final basketball game was designated spirit week by the SCA. During seventh period on Friday, there was a pep rally.

"I thought the pep rally was very exciting," said sophomore Candice Page. "It was my first year as a cheerleader, so I got to see it from a different point of view."

Unlike Page, junior Juan Rosas watched from the stands. "My favorite part was the pie game. I didn't think that the people were supposed to get hit in the face, so I was kind of surprised," he said.

"I was in the pie eating game at the pep rally and it was awesome," said sophomore **Natasha Poe**. "A group of cheerleaders picked me out of the sophomore class to participate in the game. It was really cool because I got to race against some of my friends. It ended up a little messy, but I had a lot of fun doing it," added Poe.

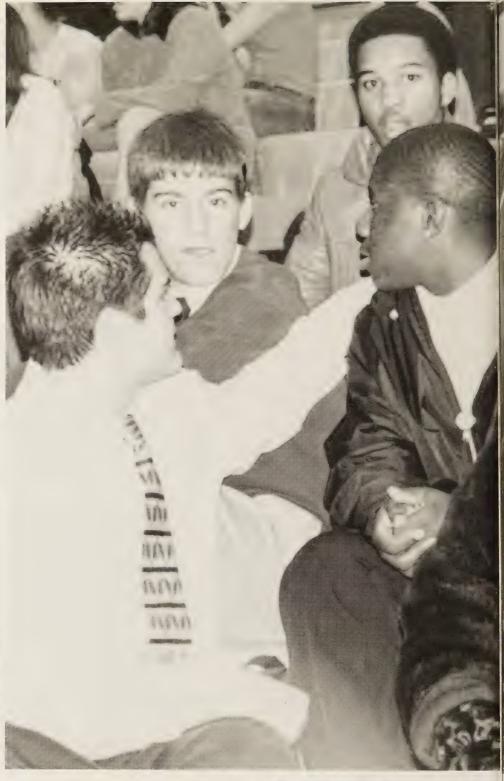
"Spirit week is kind of a chill week and it gets you all stoked for the pep rally and game on Friday night which is a good way to start the weekend," said sophomore Richie Perkins.

During Mr. Mann's 5th period Bio II Seminar class, junior Laura Nelson waits for class to begin while wearing her camouflage. Along with camouflage day, Nelson participated in the other spirit days as well. "Spirit week is fun because you get to dress up in things that you normally would never wear to school," said Nelson. "Plus, you get to act silly." Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





As part of a spirit contest, students tried to retrieve a single grape from a pie full of whipped crème. Junior Katie McDowell was the winner of the contest, she found the grape in the first two seconds of the game, clenching the victory for the Class of 2002. *Photo by Heather Benson.*



Masked. Unknown to anybody, the identity of the panther mascot remained a mystery all year. The panther came to sporting events to represent Massaponax and to raise crowd spirit. Photo by Heather Benson.

Leader. Ready to shout a cheer, sophomore Tara Layman leads the Class of 2003 in the spirit contest to see which class could shout the loudest. The sophomore class won the first round, but were beat by the seniors the second time. "I think the pep rally was good over all, but people's expectations were too high. The students expect it to be a huge event, when all it's really doing is trying to get everyone pumped up for the game," said Layman. Photo by Heather Benson.





We've got spirit, yes we do...

Do you have it 2?

he second week of February was filled with spirit. Students participated in events such as hat and camouflage day throughout the week to build up spirit for the pep rally and the final home basketball game that Friday.

"For Tourist Day I decided to wear a Hawaiian shirt and board shorts," said senior **Chris Finch**. "I liked it because I got to wear shorts in the middle of winter."

"I wore a hat for Hat Day because it was one of the only days out of the entire year that I could wear a hat to school," said junior **Brian Sumner**.

"I participated in camouflage day and had a blast," said sophomore **Laura Mallet**. "It was neat to see some of my friends wearing camo pants and jackets."

"I wore a green shirt and pants on Camo Day, which is definitely not something I would

usually wear," said senior Letitia Bowler. "I participated because I like showing my school spirit. Spirit Week gave me a chance to dress in fun clothes without everyone thinking I was crazy."

"I wore my favorite hat because it was the one time you could wear [them] in school and get away with it," said senior **Brandon Rehberg**.

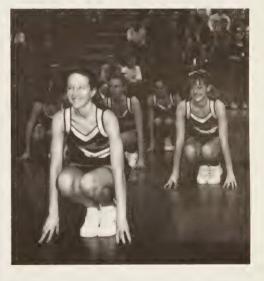
"I really enjoyed Tourist Day," said sophomore Reagan Merriam. "I wore a yellow Hawaiian shirt, a lei and a flower in my hair. I usually don't dress up for spirit day, but Tourist Day was an exception," she said.

"For a lot of students Spirit Week seems like an excuse to wear hats and other clothes that students don't usually get to wear because of school dress code policies," said senior Jeremy Russell. by Melanie Williams and Kelly Romine



Taking a break. All decked out for Hawaiian Day, juniors Zac Shaw and Rob Richards take a break to talk between classes. Hawaiian Day was one of the many days Shaw and Richards participated in. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

Anxious. Waiting their turn to go out on the floor at the pep rally, dance team members Shameka Henderson, Kristina Vitek, Nikki Anderson, and Lauren Watkins watch the other routines. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.



Poised. While preparing to show the student body their competition routine, the squad gets in their starting position. The squad prepared their routine during the normal cheering season. Photo by Heather Benson.



A dissapointing winter had us asking

Show, What Show?

hishes to sleep in, to miss school, and to have fun in the snow didn't come true enough this winter.

While there were two lost days, one two hour delay, and two early dismissals, it was nothing like the winter of 2000.

"There was all this big talk about how it was supposed to be the worst winter ever and we were going to get all this snow. But we didn't get hardly anything," said junior Josh Hayes. "I was really upset because we only missed a couple days of school."

"I was disappointed it didn't snow a lot, because we didn't really get to get out of school enough," said freshman **Elise Suich**.

Sophomore **Sarah Rababy** agreed with Suich. "Every morning when my alarm clock went off, I was hoping to see snow outside so I could go back to sleep and miss school. But that didn't happen as much as I would of

liked."

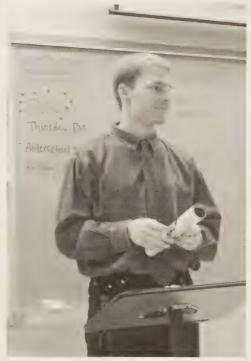
"The weatherman predicted lots of snow for this winter, but they were always wrong. I was very upset because all we got was rain. When it did finally snow it melted really quickly," said sophomore **Chrissy Hoeffer**. "I wanted to go sledding and have snowball fights with my friends, but we didn't have much of a chance to do that this year.

Not having a cold harsh winter also disappointed **Chris Bailey**.

"This winter hasn't even seemed like winter time. I was looking forward to staying home from school a lot on snow days, but that didn't happen much," said Bailey. Although it did snow a few times, it didn't always stick to the ground and if it did, it didn't stay long. The snow that did fall was never severe enough to keep school out of session for more than one day. by Heather Reynolds



Cold. While everyone leaves school, Shannon Voss tries to stay warm and find out what her friends were doing after school. *Photo by Randall Pierce*.



Seasonal. Standing in front of his Biology II class, Mr. Mann gives his prediction of the upcoming weather in the "Manncast." All winter long students turned to him to find out what was to come and nearly every time he was correct. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Wild. Excited about getting out of school early, Ben Cox bravely gets up after making his perfect snow angel. School let out after 4th period because of the sudden heavy snow. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.







Playtime. As the snow comes falling down, junior Allyson Burns and senior Colby Goetz play around in the senior courtyard. Goetz and Burns, as well as the rest of the student body were released from school at 11:15 a.m. that day due to the inclement weather. "We should have been let out earlier, it was really hard driving home without getting into an accident," said Goetz. *Photo by Randall Pierce.*

Thrilled. Patiently waiting to get out of school, senior Latoya Baker and junior Ashleigh Pixley look out the window during class. School let out after 4th period that day. "I think that it was stupid because it threatened the students' safety. They should have known about the storm earlier and called [school off] earlier," said Pixley. Photo by Randall Pierce.

Not Even I

No snow sent them North

Lack of snow didn't keep students away from the slopes. With the predicted harsh winter failing to show up locally, skiers and snowboarders headed north.

"The snow was really slushy in Virginia," said senior lan Kaila. "But it almost always is on the East Coast."

Kaila made plans to head to Utah over spring break to, "find some decent powder."

Senior **Adam Conner** wasn't pleased with the season either.

"The snow is terrible here this year," said Conner. "But [the snow in] New England was good, so I went up to Vermont for a week over Christmas break."

Other students dealt with the weather.

"I didn't find it that bad," said James Blackburn. "I snowboard at Wintergreen and the snow on the park wasn't as bad as what was on the mountain.

Still, students have seen better winter sports weather in past seasons.

"I was really disappointed this season," said junior **Steven Knight**. "Man-made snow is never as good as natural snow, but there is always next year."



On the Junior Class ski trip to Seven Springs in Pennsylvania, Angie Dietz takes a break from the slopes. "I'd never been before and my friends tried to teach me. It was exciting. I fell a lot, and I almost killed myself a couple of times," said Dietz. "I'd definitely go again. Once I got the hang of it, it was fun. We went last year and hopefully we'll get to go next year." Photo by Sara Newton.



Ready to go. Holding on tight, Emily Erwin and Laura Nelson prepare to be pushed down the hill behind the baseball field by Zac Shaw. Students took advantage of the snow day on February 23, and came to school willingly to sled before the snow melted. *Photo by Lauren Clements.*

2 of a Kind

Artists with a gift

With a little bit of music, food, and a lot of artwork the art show turned out to be great.

The show was sponsored by the National Art Honor Society. Refreshments were provided by members and the jazz band gave its first public appearance.

"We had a very good turn out, it seemed like everyone enjoyed the night," said NAHS sponsor, Ms. Orr.

About 75 people including staff, students and other interested people came to see artists Johnny P. Johnson and Rondall James's artwork. Johnson and James are two very well-known local artists.

Their artwork varied from African-American paintings to African-American masks.

James is the art teacher at Courtland High School and contributed African masks to display at the show.

Johnson, a retired City art teacher, wanted to contribute to the show because he thinks art helps people come together.

"All in all I think everybody came away with a positive feeling," said Ms. Orr.

Presenting and discussing a mask at the Cultural Art exhibit, visitor Rondall James tells attendees about the importance of the mask and the other African Artwork. "Each mask has a signifigance," James. "African Art usually deals more with the spirit of the world, as well as agricultural, harvest, and other home related things." Photo by Ashley





Artist Johnny Johnson displays one of his many pieces of artwork, while discussing it's signifigance and his love for art. "I dance when I paint, it helps create the environment." Johnson said. "I just paint becuase I truly love it, it's good for me." Photo by Ashley Ferren.



Center Stage. Taking center stage at the Foriegn Language Dinner, members of the Latin Club perform a medley of short comedies for the other foreign language students while they eat. The performance was a way to share Latin with other classes. The comedies that were put on made the night an even more fun-filled evening. "The best part about it was when we made fun of our Latin class," said Lindsay Biddinger. "We had a lot of inside jokes that might not have been funny to everyone watching, but they were funny to us." *Photo by Alex Carrow.*

Sweet Stuff. Junior Josephine De attempts to pick out the perfect dessert from the dessert table at the Foriegn Language Dinner. De had quite a selection to choose from with over 25 different desserts from different cultures. "The food was interesting. There were so many people that showed up that I didn't think I would get any. I got extra credit for French IV for attending," said De. *Photo by Tonia Rutherford.*





2 Hours of Culture

A taste of what others have learned

he smell of food filled the commons as students and their parents began entering. The commons was decorated in the colors of Mardi Gras and tables of food lined the room from corner to corner. Students eagerly piled various international foods on their plates anxious to try them all.

The Foreign Language dinner, designed to raise awareness about foreign foods and cultures, kicked off Foreign Language Week on February 27.

Altogether about 350 students, teachers, and parents showed up for the event.

Since last year's dinner only had a turnout of around 50 people, teachers were surprised.

Attendees agreed that the extra credit was a good way to get students to attend.

"I think most people went because a lot of the teachers were giving extra credit for attending with a foreign dish. I know that's why I went and I think it was a good idea, because then it gives students an incentive for going," said freshman Lindsay Batchelor.

"Most of the people I know who showed up for the dinner went because they wanted extra credit for their class. I think a lot of people came because it was simply just to cook a dish and bring it in and receive extra credit for it," said freshman **Diana Schrader**.

Entertainment at the dinner included a small Mardi Gras float from the French students, a skit performed by the Latin students, and singing from the Spanish students.

"I think the dinner was a success because a lot more people showed up than I expected. I think the added chance to get extra credit made more people show up and bring their parents. Not only was it free dinner, but it was fun," said junior Sarah Walden. by Gina Pee



Sing Alongs. Serenading the Foreign Language Dinner audience, members of the Spanish Club sing songs they had learned. The songs kept the audience entertained and the night eventful. *Photo by Tonia Rutherford*.

Taking A Peek. Taking a peek over at the Latin Club comedies, junior Jessica Schindler works on making a food selection. Having to choose from more than 150 different foods was quite a task. Photo by Emily Hunt.

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"I expected to get at least a 72 in Spanish class [for the six weeks], but surprisingly it turned out to be a 93. I studied hard but not as hard as I could have. Luckily I came out with a B instead of a D."- Matt Kritz

"My eighteenth birthday was March 5. On March 3 my Uncle told me he was leaving, so he wanted me to go pick out my present with him. When I got home, all my friends were over. My mom had thrown me a surprise party. I was really surprised. It made my birthday really special." - Shelly Michael

"At the William and Mary Cross Country Invitational, I wanted to break 20 minutes in the five kilometer (3.1 mile) race. When I came around the last corner, I could see the clock. I knew my time had to be around eighteen minutes and fifty seconds or I

wouldn't break 20 minutes. The clock said eighteen minutes and fourty two seconds; I was so happy. I ended up breaking 20 minutes with nineteen minutes and fourty two seconds, which was my goal." - Stacy Potter

"This year during swimming I did my best every meet. It definitely paid off. I won most of my events, especially the 500. I ended up breaking all of my personal records. I was really proud of myself and hopefully I will continue to get stronger and faster." - Scott Henderson

"I fell asleep one day during third period and woke up during fourth period. My teacher didn't wake me up because she wanted to see how long it would take for me to notice that the bell had rung. She wouldn't even give me a pass to my fourth period class."- K.C.Finch



How do you wear your hair? During lunch, Kristen Jones does Evelyn Mendoza's hair. "It can take anywhere from ten to thirty minutes and we play with it everyday, sometimes at lunch," said Mendoza. Photo by Mindi Miller.

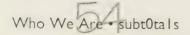


How do you wear your hair? During his Biology class, junior Chase Veracruz laughs. "I started growing my hair about the middle of the year. It's three inches long now, I'm trying for six," said Veracruz. Photo by Scott Henderson.

Do you stand out? Talking to a classmate during class, sophomore Josh Moore shows his hair-do. "I like to do my hair like that because nobody else's is really like that," said Moore. Photo by Katie Nissley.









Do you wear glasses? Sitting at her desk in her 7th period Geometry class, sophomore Shemeka Henderson who wears glasses, shows off her jewelry. *Photo by Scott Henderson.*

Can you roll your tongue? Showing her born talent, sophomore Fallon Taylor rolls her tongue. "I've been able to do it for as long as I can remember, since I was a kid I guess. I only do it when I'm bored and to make people laugh," said Taylor. Photo by Becky Hilker.





Do you carry a purse? During class, junior Kiasha Walker diligently works. "I like carrying my purse. I'm able to keep my things with me at all times," said Walker. "It helps me to stay organized." Photo by Lauren Clements.

Do you sit at a round table or long table at lunch? During lunch, freshmen Emily Andrews and Ashley Gutshall laugh as they eat their lunch. "I've sat at a round table since the beginning of the year," said Andrews. Photo by Mindi Miller.



Visual Alterations

Students didn't only learn reading and writing this year, they learned how to deal with unwanted glasses and contacts.

"I've had glasses for almost as long as I can remember and I've hated every minute of it," said sophomore Sarah Williams.

"As much as I hated my glasses, I was always very careful with them. I hardly ever broke them or messed them up. Now I have contacts and I don't really have to wear my glasses anymore," said Williams.

Unlike Williams, sophomore **Allison Brooks** wasn't as careful with her glasses.

"One time I was playing volleyball in gym class and the ball hit me in the head. My glasses flew off, hit the floor, and shattered everywhere. That's something I will never forget," said Brooks.

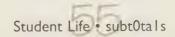
"I've worn glasses since kindergarten so it's not a big deal to me. People tell me I look funny without them," said sophomore **Trish Sloan**. "I used to have flexible glasses and I was always showing my friends how they could bend and once they snapped in half."



Can you do an unusual trick? During lunch, sophomore Cannington shows his talent for drinking from two milk cartons at the same time. "I was trying to be funny when I drank two milks. It was a contest between Brian Snodgrass and I. We do it every Friday to see who can drink more than the other. I usually win, but one day I spilled it,"said Cannington. Photo by Lindsay Klotz.



Do I stand out? During their American Sign Language II class, senior Kyle Brock and junior Sylvester Harris show their strength by arm wrestling. "Wrestling is just something I do to waste time. If you are strong, it's fun," said Brock. *Photo by Sara Newton*.



Hair Today

Gone Tomorrow

Hair, hair it's everywhere. For senior **Brent Tuckler** finding different things to do to his hair was a challenge.

"Before my hair was really long and it was annoying. So, my friends tried to get me to change it," said Tuckler.

Trying to fit in and be different all at the same time was the hard part though.

"I don't do my hair this way because everyone else does. I do it this way simply because it is very easy and it only takes me about two minutes everyday to fix," said Tuckler.

Also maintaining a comfortable look was a problem.

"My hair used to be about three to four inches long, but I had it cut to about two or three inches because it's almost summer. This will keep my head cool," he said.

The [shorter cut] style suited the wearer, the look was comfortable, and it was quick and easy he didn't really care.

"I use gel in my hair to make it look the way I want and then I leave it alone until the next day. It's quick, easy, and I like the way it looks," he said.

Turned around to talk to friends, sophomore Chris Hill sits in his study hall. "My head was shaved the summer before freshman year and I started letting it grow out when school started," said Hill. "I kept it sorta short last year and then this year I started letting it grow. I'm going to keep letting it grow until it doesn't look good anymore. I won't let it get really long." Photo by Sara Newton.





Upon answering a dare made by sophomore Katie Nissley, sophomore Reagan Merriam balances her pen between her nose and lips. Nissley had an assignment for her photo journalism class to find people who could do strange tricks. *Photo by Katie Nissley*.

Do you wear braces? While in the library, sophomore Joe Bailey takes a break from doing some research. Bailey was looking for information on Cancer. He had Advanced Biology second period with Ms. Kain. *Photo by Laura Mallett.*

What kind of hairstyle do you have? Talking in the hallways to his friends, sophomore Justin Carrico gives the latest news. Carrico wore his hair like this all year long. Photo by Patrick Banville.





Do you smile? With a smiling face, sophomore Ellen Lusby enters the building to begin another day. Lusby was a very energetic and friendly person and could often be seen smiling and waving to all who passed. *Photo by Gracie Hart*.

Do you have bangs? While waiting for class to begin, sophomore Victoria Nightingale turns around to talk to friends. While a lot of girls grew their bangs out to the length of their hair. Nightingale chose to keep hers. *Photo by Katie Nissley.*







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"Our team worked very hard to decorate the baseball locker room. We spent several hours of labor straining to move couches into the room. Despite our efforts the administration would not allow us to keep the couches. Regardless of our hard work, the administration remained a symbol of the usurpation of individuality and the puritan work ethic. - Derrick Sears

"For my sixteenth birthday my parents gave me an early birthday present and took me to Florida. We got to stay for a whole week and it was great. It was the last week of summer before school started and it was a good way to end the summer. We ended up having tons of fun and all really didn't want to come home." - Mike Jennings

"My friends had a surprise party for my

fifteenth birthday. They all told me that they were spending the night at my friend's house, but when I came home they were all in my living room. I was so surprised that I had the best birthday ever." - Suzy Sykes

"I'm one of nine children, but I don't really mind having such a big family. It's kind of cool because it's such a unique thing. It isn't every day that you hear about someone with nine kids in their family. It also teaches me a lot about responsibility. I'm only I5 and I already know how to change diapers and make bottles. It can be hard work at times, but it's definitely worth it." - Michael McLain

"I have had my glasses for about two years. I have contacts also, but I've only put them in once or twice because they irritate my eyes."- Amy Williams



Do you wear glasses? During Spanish class, freshman Jerome Bennett turns around after someone calls his name. Bennett had his first year of Spanish with Ms. Remmie. Many freshman took a foreign language for the first time in high school. *Photo by Scott Henderson.*

Do you carry a purse? Before the bell rings to start class, junior Chasity Williams goes through her purse. Williams carried a purse to school, as well as a bookbag. *Photo by Lauren Clements*.



Do you wear a watch? While in AP Psychology class, senior Cindy Morris listens intently to her daily assignments. "It's a Fossil watch," said Morris. "I feel naked without it." Photo by Ryan Nobles



Seven

Sitting on a bench after a morning class, Ryan Craig, Gina Pee, and Ellen Lusby go over information from a journalism convention at Virginia Commonwealth University. Craig, Pee, and Lusby were three of the seven newspaper staff members that helped compile Massaponax's monthly student newspaper, The Growl. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Twenty Two

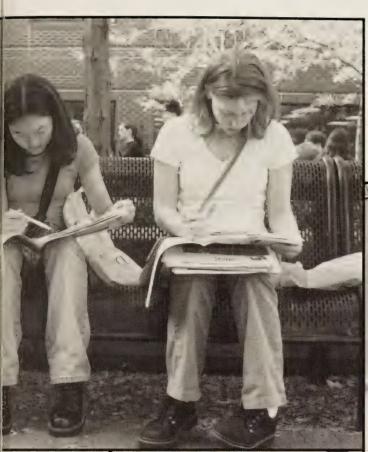
Concentrating on the task at hand, Jamelle Walker tries to complete a worksheet during her chemistry class. Walker's chemistry class was one of three different chemistry courses offered -Chemistry I, Adv. Chemistry, Chemistry II- and one of total science classes available to students.

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Giving instructions to his co-editor, third-year yearbook student Mike Eltringham helps first-year student Danielle McKenrick put together pages for the sports section of the yearbook. The two editors worked together to create and correct forty sports pages in the yearbook.

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Number of academic departments: 10. Number of academic letter recipients: 209. Number of books in the library: 9,201. Number of Commonwealth Governor's School students: 29. Number of vocational students: 94. Number of faculty aides: 122. Number of weighted courses offered: 53. Number of AP courses offered: ... Number of foreign languages offered, including ASL and Japanese: -. Number of college scholarships available to seniors: 110. Number of total academic courses available to students at MHS:



Three Hundred

Taking part in the Academic Awards assembly, guest speaker and professional soccer player Rob Ukrop congratulates the academic letter recipients. Rob, also known as The Happy Dork, has made appearances at over 300 events over the past 4 years, encouraging kids to dream high, work harder, and keep on smiling. Photo by Kelly Romine.



Six

Giving a lesson in the lecture room, Mr. Takii teaches Japanese to students in the Japanese II class. Takii, an exchange teacher from Japan, spent six weeks at MHS, providing a lingual and cultural taste of Japan for several students around the school Photo by Colleen Fowler.



Fifteen

Working in front of the mirror, Lazhai Stewart styles hair during her class at the vocational center. Stewart spent half her day there learning cosmetology, one of fifteen courses offered at the vocational center. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

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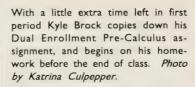


Clockwise from left: Finishing up homework, Mark Annunzi gnaws on his pen. Photo by Sara Newton. Melissa Hudson and Carol Hetman sketch in Art I. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Allison Raines completes a keyboard test. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Geoff Riedel intensely concentrates in Application Science. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Checking over their work, Marcus Savoy and Wayne Pinkney finish their daily assignment. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. On the first day of school, Sean McCleary and Holly Guelig present material to their government class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Concentrating on a geography worksheet in first period, Matt Phleger focuses on finishing the assignment before the bell rings. *Photo by Becky Hilker*.

Looking over their government book, Allison Gwynn and Jasmine Alcazar trade notes minutes before a chapter test. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

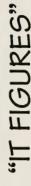


Working in Auto-mechanics, Cliff Aitkens sands a car in preparation for painting. "I like this class because it's fun and I'm never sitting still," said Aitkens. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*









The value of pi when finding the circumference of a circle

Number of songs learned a year in Symphonic Band

Minimum number of stories written during a year of Journalism I

Number of named elements in the periodic table

Number of hours of homework given a year in Dr. Brown's Pre-Calculus





While paying attention to the teacher and intently taking notes, Diana Shrader works on perfecting her math skills in Algebra II. "We take a lot of notes, but I don't mind because I always have something to look back on if I need help with a problem," said Shrader. Photo by Mindi Miller.

Jotting down notes in Mrs. Crider's World History class Tara Smith copies down information on historical figure King George. "I love this class, we do the best projects and the assignments aren't so tedious," said Smith. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach.*



- > "MY FIRST PERIOD IS ADV. CHEMISTRY AND IT'S really hard to stay awake, but a lot of my friends are in my class and they help me get my blood pumping." Cole Eller.
- > "I DON'T HAVE MUCH TROUBLE STAYING AWAKE in first period because of the Spanish music that Mrs. Buck plays in the beginning of class, it gets me on track for the rest of the day." Jackie D'Ambrosio.
- > "JOURNALISM IS A WHOLE DIFFERENT STYLE OF writing, you have to stay awake and pay attention or you won't understand what is going on." Kara Heubi.
- > "In Accounting, Mr. Manchester is always telling jokes and he makes learning more fun, so it's really hard to fall asleep in his class." Candice Price.

- > "There is never a dull moment in Mrs. Williams class, you never know what she is going to do next. I love French so it's fun having it as my earliest class." Suzanne Neilson.
- > "IT IS HARD WORK WAKING UP IN THE MORNING and getting to Mrs. Woodcocks's class, but attendance is very important in Journalism and she is pretty strict on getting to class on time." Emily Wassink
- > "I HAVE ADVANCED ALGEBRA II IN THE MORNING with Mr. Burner, it's a great class to have first period because he's really funny and can keep the class awake with his fun personality." Laura Schrader.





Clockwise from left: Latoya Baker adds the finishing touches to her lab report. Photo by Lauren Clements. In Government Catherine Rose works on her homework. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Tyron Brickhouse works in keyboarding class. Photo by Ashley Ferren. In carpentry class Patrick O'Conners and Brian Mitchell work as a team. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Absorbing the material Jeanelle Bumpus reads over her literature book. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Shelby Taylor listens as the class talks about nutrients in Personal Development. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Practicing signing, Jimmy McGhee, Troy Simpson, and Whitney Clark pay attention to Ms. Hutto while she teaches them how to sign new words. *Photo by Ashley Ferren*. Working together in Chemistry, Mandi Cabral and Jeremy Hayes start their lab. "We do labs a lot with a partner, and it's more fun," said Cabral. *Photo by Mindi Miller*.

Preparing for a quiz, Allison Gwynn and Jasmine Alcazar look over the textbook. "I was trying to explain something she didn't understand at the last minute," said Gwynn. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

While sketching in her Art I class, Amy Moore asks Ms. Orr to comment on her technique. Students had to pick a picture from any magazine and draw it's enlarged version on paper. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*







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Number of noble gases in the periodic table

Number of vocabulary words learned in French II over one year

Number of cars the mechanical department fixes a year

Number of major parts to an engine

Average number of questions completed in Pre-Calculus over a year





Adjusting his layout, Mrs. Woodcock helps Martin Rodriguez on his layout and design. Layout technique was one of the most important elements in Journalism I. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

While staring off into space Lindsay Lascara listens to Monday morning announcements. "Before class everyone just sits and listens to announcements so that no one misses anything," said Lascara. Photo by Mindi Miller.



- > "Mrs. Woodcock is a very enthusiastic and high spirited teacher. She makes it extremely difficult to fall asleep during her class." Sarah Shepard.
- > "I HAVE STUDY HALL FIRST PERIOD. IT HELPS TO have an easy class in the morning in order to get ready for the rest of the day. It's especially nice to be able to get your homework done if you didn't have time to finish it the night before." Cherish Willis.
- > "I LOVE BAND, IT HELPS ME TO RELAX IN THE mornings. I have played the saxophone for four years and I love all of the people in my class, they really help me get things going in the morning." Felicia Chang.

- > "I LOVE FIXING CARS; I NEVER HAVE TO WORRY about falling asleep because I am constantly moving around. It's a great class to have as my first period. It definitely wakes me up." *Erik Moore.*
- **> "M**R. KOCH IS A GREAT TEACHER. HE MAKES FIRST period so easy to learn in because he is such an interesting individual. He always gets the point across, and he always makes sure we understand what he is teaching." *Kaitlin Strong*.
- > "I REALLY LIKE MY ACCOUNTING CLASS, MR. Manchester is really funny, so I can always stay awake. He loves to joke around with us and that's what makes the class so much fun. He's a great teacher and he knows when to get loose and have fun." Jay Fairchild.



2 Two of a kind In group work two heads are always better than one

- > "I LIKE WORKING IN GROUPS BECAUSE I GET TO learn about other people's opinions. By becoming aware of views other than my own, I'm able to expand my knowledge of different things." Vanessa Roycroft.
- > "GROUP WORK IS A WAY TO BE WITH YOUR friends while working to achieve a goal. It makes assignments easier to do." Brandon Rehberg.
- > "I WISH WE COULD WORK IN GROUPS BECAUSE if we did it would probably make some of our assignments easier and they would be less stressful." Kelli-Beth Broome.
- > "IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE WE DO A LOT OF MOCK congress. Right now we are trying to convict a man of murder. Its always better to work with other people rather than just yourself." Veronica Lansden.

- >"WE DO LOTS OF GROUP ACTIVITIES IN BIOLOGY 2 [SEMINAR] because we have labs that involve animals, and we don't always have enough for the whole class." Amy Hamblet.
- >"I LIKE GROUP WORK BETTER BECAUSE IT SPLITS up the work between more than one person and you can help each other out." Megan Barley
- >"WE WORK IN GROUPS IN ADVANCED ENGLISH II and we discuss all of the stories and poems we read, it helps to understand them much better." Sara Shepard.
- > "I LOVE GROUP WORK BECAUSE IT'S THE ONE opportunity you get to work with your friends. It helps when you don't know the answer to a question and you are able to talk it out with one another." Cherish Willis.



Number of AP English
I I students online at 1:30
am the morning of the
Common Logical Fallacies portfolio's due date

Number of minutes the Recreation and Wellness class is required to run

Total number of verb tenses learned in Spanish IV

Number of vocabulary words in the SAT prep book Pointing out a problem in the homework, Chad Lumpkins and Nick Bollman compare answers in their History class. "It's easier working with someone in class. You always know you have the correct answers," said Lumpkins. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Clicking away in his Advanced CIS class, Josh Millaway works diligently on his class typing assignment. "We do a lot of typing activites, but it's hard to get our work done because we never have enough time," said Millaway. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



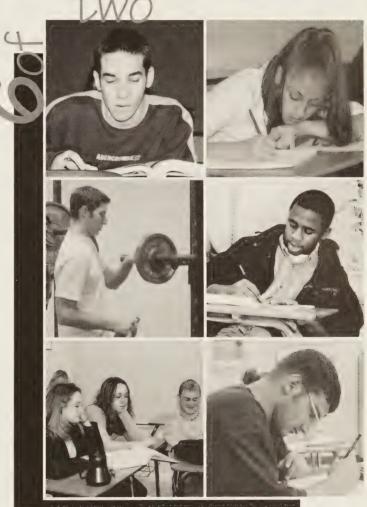




Two heads are better than one. Working together on an Advanced English II assignment, Angie Dietz and Latoya Baker brainstorm to come up withnew ideas. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

Helping each other prepare for a quiz, Lindsay Raymond and Kelly Cobb look over their material in World History. "Taking good notes is key to passing a test or a quiz," said Raymond. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach.*





Clockwise from left: Chris Raynore looks over his Biology. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Working hard, Charlene Gomez takes notes. Photo by Mindi Miller. Dante Donaldson memorizes verbs in German I. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Joe Scelzo works on his SAT prep assignment. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Sharing a book, Rachel Stapp, Sommer Wells, and Jay Morris look on with each other. Photo by Laura weidenbach. Patrick Sykes adds more weight to lift. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Pumping up in Recreation and Wellness, Evan Bell works out his upper body as part of his daily lifting assignment. "I love this class, it really helps build your self-esteem. I enjoy working out, and Coach Ludden encourages0 us a lot," said Bell. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

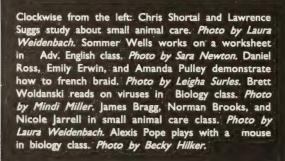
Taking notes on verb translations, Michael Pulley and Ricky Moore pay close attention to Ms. Remmie in their Spanish I class. "Verb translations are the most difficult part to learn in the Spanish language, so it helps to pay close attention," said Moore. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

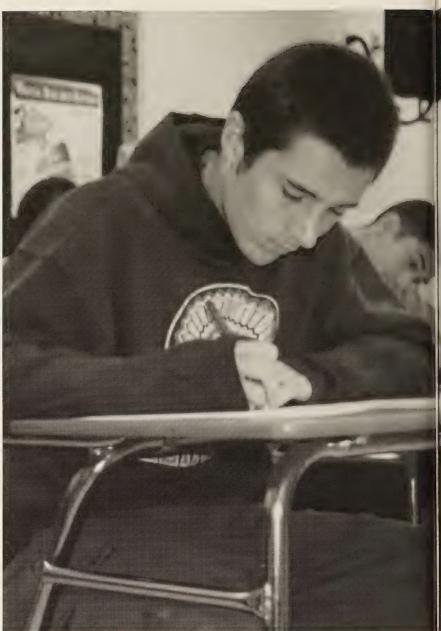
Reading in AP English, Robert Scott and Jon Gardner page through *The Awakening*. "The assignment was to document the actions of the main character," said Gardner. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

Working hard, Jordan Blumling finishes his Scarlet Letter Test. "I wish we did more group work in English. It really helps to get the creative juices flowing," said Blumling. *Photo by Sara Newton*.











Psychology students Jay Fairchild, Shirelle Jacob,s and Jami Gatewood show Mrs. McCrum that they know how to braid. "We were taught how to perform a task, and when the lesson was over we got to practice," said Jacobs. Photo by Leigha Surles.

Showing her stuff, Tiffany Carty displays her mask for the play *Everyman* to her AP English 12 class. "We made masks to decribe the characters. It was a different way to help us understand the play," said Carty. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.





2 Two of a kind In group work two heads are always better than one

- > "I LIKE WORKING IN GROUPS BECAUSE WE GET to learn more about how people's opinions can differ, and its really cool when all of our ideas come together to make a final project." Alex Martin.
- > "In Chemistry we work together on Labs. I like it much better than working by myself because I get to hear other people's ideas on solving different problems." *Laura Moran.*
- > "In DRAMA WE REALLY DEPEND ON EACH-OTHER for talents and hard work because otherwise our performances would stink." Kathy Ovard.
- > "IN PHYSICS WE NEED SEVERAL PEOPLE TO complete a lab, because each person has their own special task. It's really a team effort, and it's good to be able to work together." Matt Baumgarten.

- > "Sometimes I feel like I can get the work done faster on my own, but group work helps a lot of people with their work, so I don't mind it too much." Kyle Norwood.
- > "I LIKE DRAMA BECAUSE WE WORK TOGETHER a lot and you get to experience energy and personalities that you wouldn't get to otherwise." Jenna Ewing.
- > "IN [Mrs. WHEELBARGER's] CLASS DOING group work really lets you get a feel for other people's opinions and interpretations of things like poetry and novels that we read. It really makes the class more interesting when you get to hear other people's sides." *Angie Deitz*.
- > "I THINK YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH MORE WHEN working in groups. In my Rec & Wellness class Chris Bailey and I lift weights together, and he really helps me get pumped." *Trae Heubi.*

IT FIGURES"

Number needed on the AP Essay test to ear college credit

Number of times more memory the TI-83 Plus holds than the TI-83

Number of animals the Small Animal Care class dealt with this year

Number of episodes of Destinos that Spanish III students watched during the year

Number of index cards needed by each person in SAT prep





Writing ferociously in Mrs. Ivan's AP English II class, Reshma Patel and Brittany Lutz take notes on how to write essays. "[Mrs. Ivan's] class is one of my hardest classes, but that doesn't bother me because it's one of my favorites as well," said Patel. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Working hard, sophomore Brianna Scott finishes up her classwork in Biology. "Biology class is a lot of fun because we get to do a lot of hands-on projects," said Scott. Photo by Laura Weidenbach

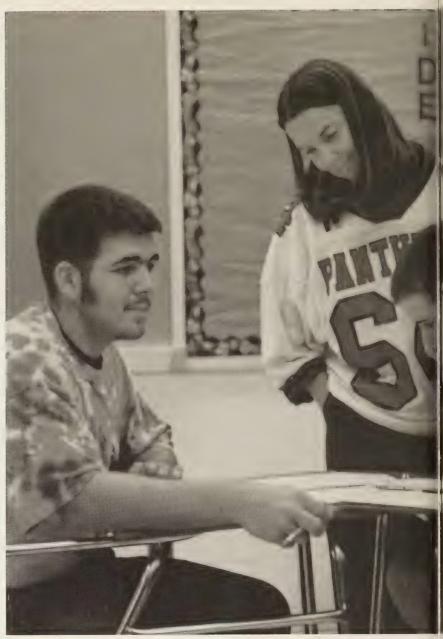
Taking a break in class, Joe Bailey, Tara Brown, and Danielle Allen chat. "Having friends in class has an advantage, I'm around the people I'm comfortable with," said Brown. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Working together on an assignment in their Advanced English class, James McGhee and John Tolson, have Mrs. Gebhart glance over their work. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*





Clockwise from left: Caitlin Lehmann listens to instructions in her Spanish II class. Photo by Alan Cooke. Dewayne Pinckney busily takes notes in his Advanced Chemistry class. Photo by Tonia Rutherford. Taking notes, Larry Jackson listens intently. Photo by Tonia Rutherford. Finding the correct question, Carrie Smith looks for the problem to post on the board. Photo by Ryan Nobles. Kelly Strong and Leigha Surles chat in their Advanced English class. Photo by Ashley Ferren. In her government class, Jessica Cornish prepares to give a speech to her classmates. Photo by Katrina Culpepper.





Playing Tetris on her calculator, Tara Layman passes the time at the end of Drivers Ed. "Having friends in my class is a plus, I always have someone to talk to," said Layman. Photo by Patrick Banville.

Learning how to play a game with Hamilton circuits, Mrs. Fontenot explains to Courtney Snodgrass the rules that go along with it in her Discrete Math class. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.



Three's Company Having friends in classes can make learning fun or impossible

- > "HAVING FRIENDS IN MY CLASS DOESN'T MAKE IT as boring. We joke around with the teacher a lot, and have so much more fun." *Josh Johnson*.
- > "I HAVE A FEW FRIENDS IN THE SAME CLASSES AS me. Having them in there with me is a plus because I always have someone to relate to and that understands my piont of view. We are always helping each other. The only bad thing is that we talk too much." Ashley Emerick.
- > "HAVING MY FRIENDS IN MY CLASSES HAS IT'S disadvantages; we talk way too much and get in trouble a lot. We do get to help each other on tests and quizzes and homework. We are always helping each other out so we can make better grades." Justin Smith

- > "IF YOU ARE ABSENT IN CLASS IT'S EASIER TO make up the work, but if you have friends in the class, sometimes it's harder to pay attention to what you missed because you always want to talk." Rachael Sargeant.
- > "I LOVE HAVING MY FRIENDS IN MY CLASS because when I am absent I can get my make up work from them, that way I am always prepared when I come back. It's such a burden to not have friends to help you out like that." Kimmy Forrest.
- > "HAVING A FRIEND IN MY CLASS IS IMPORTANT TO me because it makes me feel more comfortable. I have someone to relate to and chat with. Sometimes we talk a lot and get in trouble but it rarely effects our work." Carrie Smith.

IT FIGURES"

Number of experiments conducted in Chemistry over one semester

Average number of pieces of paper used in one six weeks in Geometry

Average number of times a student forgets their homework in Japanese II

Number of countries studied in World Geography over one semester

Average number of minutes it takes to write up one lab report in Chemistry I



Looking over a sheet of funny faces with various expressions, Daniel Ruyts prepares to make a faux family tree using the different characters in his Spanish II class. *Photo by Emily Hunt*

Reading up on the subjects being covered in her Science class, Pam McKindrey reads her text book. "I enjoy having friends in my classes," said McKindrey, "They always give me someone to work with." Photo by Mindi Miller.



Participating in a "get to know each other" activity, Leigha Surles, Andy Tolson, and Ryan Rhea interview one another in their Advanced English class. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Digging through his backpack in Creative Writing, Brian Cosgrave searches through his clutter for his homework. Photo by Lauren Clements.



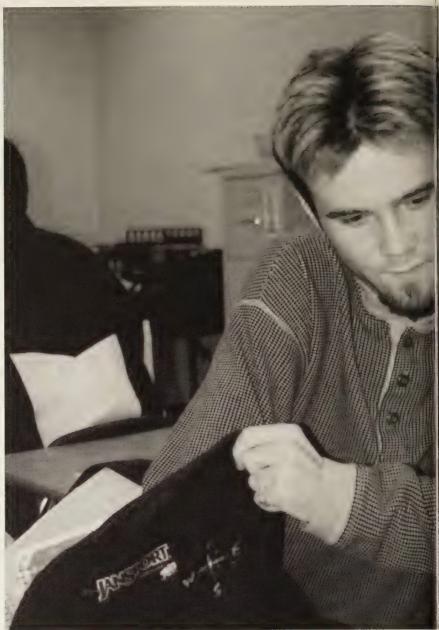
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Clockwise from left: Learning the Hamilton Circuit, Matt Gillespie plays a game in Discrete Math. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Concentrating, Sylvester Harris finishes up his book during class. Photo by Sara Newton. Mrs. Hutto show the class how to sign a new phrase. Photo by Sara Newton. In American Sign Language, Chris Farmer colors a class assignment. Photo by Sara Newton. Toni Nichols, uses the overhead as her drawing board to practice the Hamilton Circuit. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Busily working, Jonathan Dressle finishes up an assignment. Photo by Sara Newton.





Using her time wisely, Nicole Hamlin looks over her notes in Latin II. "Waiting until the last minute like I usually do, isn't the best way to pass a class," said Hamlin. Photo by Ryan Nobles.

Playing teacher, Jay Fairchild teaches his Psychology class how to tie a tie. "As an assignment, we had to teach others how to accomplish a task with certain directions," said Fairchild. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Three's Company Having friends in classes can make learning fun or impossible

- > "IN MY DRAMA CLASS, HAVING FRIENDS REALLY helps me out. When we have to memorize and perform a play or scene it makes me more comfortable knowing I'm not going to be in front of the class alone with no one I know." Reagan Merriam
- > "I HAVE FRIENDS IN ALMOST ALL OF MY CLASSES, but it doesn't really help or hinder my performance. It just makes the class more fun to be in."

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- > "I LOVE MY CREATIVE WRITING CLASS. I DON'T have many friends in there, so I don't get the chance to talk as much as I'd like, but I guess that's better for the teacher." Rachel Stapp.

- > "HAVING FRIENDS IN YOUR CLASSES IS ALWAYS A good thing. Whenever I have questions that the teacher is too busy to help me with, it's easy to just ask my friends." *Emily Hunt.*
- > "IT'S AN ADVANTAGE TO HAVE PEOPLE YOU KNOW in your classes, especially when there is group work to be done. It always helps when you have friends in the class, because having them there makes learning easier and much more fun." Tiffany Williams.
- > "I HAVE AT LEAST TEN FRIENDS IN MY AD-VANCED English II class. It's so much fun and we help each other out whenever we need it." Amy Hamblet.
- > "HAVING FRIENDS IN MY CLASSES HINDERS MY performance in class because it is such a distraction from my work." John Braur.

"IT FIGURES"

Number in thousands of teens injured in automobile accidents each year

Number of lessons read in the Driver's Ed textbook by the end of the year

Number of assignments Creative Writing students needed to complete in their portfolio

Average number of hours spent on homework in Mrs. Newton's Geometry class over a two week period



Concerned for her grades, Amanda Ray listens to Mrs. Fontenot as she answers her questions about the upcoming quiz in her Discrete Math class. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

Getting herself a drink, Kelly Romine enjoys her free day. "In Discrete Math, we mostly deal with theories, and on Friday's Mrs. Fontenot allows us to incorporate food into the lesson," said Romine. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.



Debating in Dual Enrollment English, Daniel Brown and Ms. Jones discuss their class reading assignment, Things Fall Apart. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Reading the Canterbury tales in Mrs. Jones' Dual Enrollment class, Laura Weidenbach and Alicia Prickett point out one of the main themes of the tale. *Photo by J.P. Yurgel*





Clockwise from left: Claire Boswell inspects her pinned insects. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Presenting his Etymology project, Ryan Davis, points to his visual aid. Photo by Mary Benton. In his World History class, Travis Layman presents his coat or arms. Photo by Becky Hilker. Mr. Mann makes shadow puppets on his "chalk-less" board for his students. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Christine Gemshein works on an assignment in the library. Photo by Katrina Culpepper. Presenting her Etymology project, Montanique Montique talks about arachnids. Photo by Mary Benton.





Busily writing on a class assignment in the library, Megan Borders hurries to finish getting down all the information she needs for her project before the end of class. Photo by Katrina Culpeper

Hard at work in her Photojournalism class, Ryan Nobles lables her picture envelope for use in the yearbook. Photographers labled their picture envelopes so pictures wouldn't get misplaced. *Photo by Colleen Fowler.*



4 Four the Future 4 Skills help prepare for work and college

- > "COMPUTER APPLICATIONS IS A HELPFUL CLASS. The world is becoming a very hightech place and everyone will need to know how to use that kind of technology sooner or later," said Dane Lewis
- > "Newspapers are a real great source of money and since I am taking Publishing, it will help me get a better job when I leave high school. Especially If I want to work on a newspaper or magazine," said Amanda Heiman.
- > "MATH ANALYSIS IS VERY HELPFUL FOR MY future because every job is starting to use math somehow, from balancing books to adding merchandise," said Becky Semeia.
- > "I AM NOT SO SURE THAT I WOULD LIKE A JOB in the deaf community, but Sigh Language can still come in handy especially if I ever work with the hearing impaired," said Suzanne Sykes.

- > "I LOVE EXPANDING MY VOCABULARY AND MY Advanced. English 10 class really helps me with that. I know that once I'm out of high school it will really help me with what I plan to do next with my future," said Lindsay Lascara.
- > "MY U.S. VA HISTORY CLASS HELPS ME understand how politics work. Knowing that allows me to understand what's going on in the United States, and that's especially important in the new millennium," said Adam Rehburg.
- > "I'M TAKING AP CALCULUS BECAUSE IT COUNTS as a college credit. I would like to get an Engineering degree and work for Lucent Technology. I'd love to specialize in technology design," David Newton.

IT FIGURES"

The number of bones in the body

The number of exposures in a roll of film

The average number of pictures taken in one year by a photojournalism class

The number of plays Adv. English 10 participates in during one year

The number of vocabulary words learned in one year of Spanish I



Chatting before class, Alicia Prickett, Carmen Rios, and Jonathan Morrow trade gossip in their Dual Enrollment English class. "Mrs. Jones is such an awesome teacher, I will never forget her even after I graduate," said Rios. Photo by Mary Benton.

Working on a class project, Danyell Smith uses her time in the library to look up information on her topic. "Going to the library in class is a real benefit. You can get on the internet and look up all your information rather than doing the work at home," said Smith. Photo by Katrina Culpepper.



Listening to the lesson, Scott Henderson watches Mrs. Woodcock demonstrate how to get a subject's face correctly exposed. *Photo by Katrina Culpepper*.

Identifying different emotions portrayed in pictures, senior Heather Benson and junior Lauren Clements look at what they've got . *Photo by Mindi Miller*.















Clockwise from left: Alicia Prickett presents her project in Mrs. Jones English class. *Photo Mary Benton.* Katie Nissley looks over her calender in Photojournalism. *Photo by Sara Newton:* Jon Reynolds writes down the results of his lab in Chemistry. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.* Katrina Culpepper listens to Mrs. Woodcock explain an assignment. *Photo by Sara Newton.* Ashley Wallace and Lauren Watkins help each other study for a quiz in Geometry class. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.* Amanda Davidson, Charlotte Finlay- Notman, and Linda McCall study in Geometry class. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*





Trying to identify different orders of bugs in Biology 2 Seminar, seniors Erin Chapman and Elizabeth Sabu closely examine the bug's body structure in order to make an identification. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Working on an English assignment in Mrs. Jones English class, Monica Chan copies down some notes. "I always try to do my best to complete assignments," she said. *Photo by Mary Benton.*



4 Four the Future Skills help prepare for work and college

- > "COMMUNICATION IS THE MOST IMPORTANT thing people look for in a job interview, so I try to teach my students important skills that can help them in the future." Ms. McIntosh
- > "BIOLOGY CAN DEFINITELY HELP ME BECAUSE I am planing on becoming a marine biologist when I am older. In order to do this I have to pay attention and focus on my work when it counts the most." Caroline Smith
- > "I FEEL THAT I WILL ALWAYS BE ABLE TO USE THE communication and reading skills I learn in English in the future. I know eventually I will be glad I did all that homework and read all those stories because it will have paid off in the end." Shawn Faulconer
- > "ENGLISH HELPS ME INCREASE MY VOCABULARY greatly. This will help me out in my future when I take my SAT's, and also when I get out of college and look for a job." Lindsay Lascara

- > "WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT RECYCLING AND THE destruction that has happened to the planet. It makes me want to buy products that don't hurt the environment. It's made me more aware of things." Mary Yancy
- > "PHOTOJOURNALISM IS GREAT. IT REALLY CAN help people out. I learn everything pretty quickly because Mrs. Woodcock is really good at explaining things to you. She goes over stuff until you are comfortable with it and you understand it." Scott Henderson
- > "ART IS MY FAVORITE CLASS BECAUSE I GET TO USE my hands which I love to do. I take art because I want to have some kind of job dealing with it when I get older." Amanda Shelton.
- > "CHEMISTRY WILL HELP ME OUT IN THE future because I plan on going to Medical School when I get out of college, and you need your sciences to get in." Erin Watson.

T FIGURES"

Number of Japanese exchange teachers

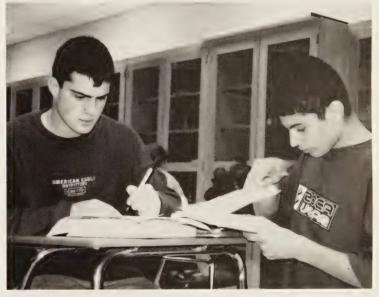
Number of primary colors in Art

Number of labs done in Advanced Biology

Number of vocabulary words learned in Advanced English 10

Percent of success rate in Art 1

Number of class pets in Mrs. Kain's Advanced Biology class (a fish)





Comparing results of the chemistry lab the two had just completed, Trae Heubi and Martin Rodriguez finish up what they are doing. "I like to work on labs because I get to use my hands and it makes me think more," said Trae Heubi, a junior. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Working on their lab in Mr. Kern's Chemistry class, juniors John Gardner and Reed Fairchild watch the reaction taking place. "We got to use fire and acids, it was cool to see the final out come," said John Gardner. Photo by Ashley Ferren



Trying to finish his quiz in Mr. Stottlemyer's Biology class, Matt Phlegar jots down his answers before turning his paper in. *Photo by Patrick Banville*.

Diligently working on her in-class assignment during Biology, Nakole Charles trys to concentrate on what she's doing. Photo by Patrick Banville.





Clockwise from left: Tim McDermott finishes his worksheet for Geography class. Photo by Laura Mallet. Ashleigh Smith organizes her notebook in German III. Photo by Becky Hilker. Heather Schnell looks through her notebook for a paper. Photo by Kelly Romine. Wendy Roles types an equation into her calculator. Photo by Sara Newton. Xhuljo Kiri flips through is Geography book to find an answer. Photo by Laura Mallet. Jessica Schindler explains a worksheet question on the board for her German III class. Photo by Becky Hilker.





Taking advantage of free time during Marketing class, Heather Benson and Danyell Smith giggle while writing notes. "We end up with lots of free time in that class," said Benson. Photo by Katrina Culpepper.

Trying to identify the bug order, Todd Pickering examines the body to make his conclusion. "We pinned them to the board to identify them," said Pickering. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



5 Take Five How to deal with the longest class of the day

- > "Mr. Osso's class is really fun because He has a great personality in Driver's Ed, and he's always telling jokes so the class goes by fast." Justin Carrico
- **> "**PSYCHOLOGY IS AN AP COURSE WHICH MADE ME think it would be really hard, but it's really just learning about people. I'm really glad I took the class." Andrew Shin
- > "\$IGN LANGUAGE IS MY FIFTH PERIOD AND OUR teachers realize it's extra long. So, sometimes they give us a break and stop class a little early." Toya Baker
- > "SINCE I HAVE SECOND LUNCH, THERE'S A BIG GAP IN the middle of the class and it actually seems shorter because of that." Audra Rojek
- > "I HAVE STUDY HALL DURING FIFTH PERIOD AND SO I just go to the library and get on-line to pass the time." Tim Sturtevant

- > "MY FIFTH PERIOD CLASS IS THE ONE I HAVE THE most homework in. Luckily it is the longest class of the day so I can usually start on it in class. My teacher makes time at the end for us to start on our work." Amy Franklin
- > "IN KEYBOARDING WE GET TO GET ON THE Internet which makes the class really enjoyable. The class is really informing and good to take if you're interested in working with computers as a career." Ashley Titus
- > "Mr. STOTTLEMYER IS A GREAT AND A VERY FUN teacher. We get to do many different labs, and not too much busy work. His class is one of my favorites." Maura Rojek
- > "FIFTH PERIOD GOES BY REALLY FAST. MR. Burner gives us a lot of work. I try not to think about it as being the longest class of the day. "-Brian Baez

IT FIGURES"

Number of weights in the weightroom

Number of colored pencils required to own in Art 3

Number of chapters covered in Mr. Burner's Advanced Algebra II class

Number of new vocabulary words learned by the end of the year in Mrs. Duckworth's English 11





Punching numbers in her calculator, Gracie Hart listens to Mr. Swan's lecture in her Algebra 2 class. "Playing games on your calculator is a popular activity in that class," she said. Photo by Sara Newton.

Jotting down the nights homework assignment in Biology class, Nikki Ferren pays close attention to what she is supposed to be doing. "My fifth period class is great because its the most laid back class I have all day," she said. *Photo by Patrick Banville*.



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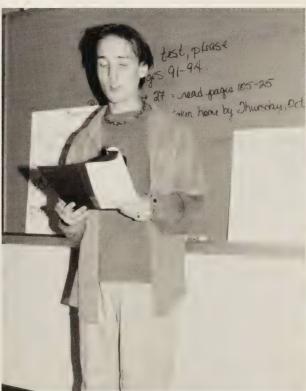
- > "TO GET THROUGH FIFTH PERIOD I USUALLY JUST draw my way through it. I have Art and that class is really a lot of fun so it just goes by really fast." Chris White
- > "IT'S EASY TO GET THROUGH FIFTH PERIOD for me because Mrs. Bennet let's us eat and listen to music. She doesn't like it being so long any more than we do." -Veronica Lansden
- > "DURING FIFTH PERIOD I USUALLY DO MY HOME-work from other classes. My teacher has no problem with it and that way I won't have as much stuff to do after school." Brian Snodgrass
- > "I LIKE FIFTH PERIOD BEST BECAUSE I HAVE extra time to do my homework and ask questions if [need help." Amy Franklin
- > "FIFTH PERIOD I HAVE BIOLOGY | SEMINAR. THE

- class is really exciting because of the wide variety of things we learn about. From bugs to trees, we cover it all." Heather Schnell
- > "I HAVE GYM FIFTH PERIOD AND THE CLASS IS VERY relaxing. Because it's the longest class of the day, we get to spend more time doing activities than any other period." Katie Nissley
- > "FIFTH PERIOD IS GREAT BECAUSE I HAVE GYM AND it's a rest from school work and I have a lot of friends in my class. Sometimes we get each other in trouble." Megan Borders
- > "FIFTH PERIOD I HAVE YEARBOOK AND ITS THE best time to have it because I have a whole hour to get my work done. When you're on deadline you need all the time you can get. If you need a quote from someone you can just go to the lunchroom and get it." Danielle McKenrick



Completing her in-class assignment during fifth period geography, Tara Layman diligently stays on task. "Geography is one of my favorite classes because it comes pretty easy to me," said Layman. Photo by Laura Mallett.

Presenting his story in Mrs. McDaniel's Advanced English 10 class, Michael Pierce excitedly shares his writings with his fellow classmates. Photo by Mindi Miller.



After finishing up his worksheet in Mr. Stottlemyer's Biology class, Marques Lowery passes time away by playing on his calculator. "Some days after we finish our work, I play baseball on my calculator until the bell rings," he said. *Photo by Patrick Banville*.







Writing a note to a friend after class is over, Jessica Morin uses some free time to catch up on the latest gossip. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.



Clockwise from left: Mr. Koch watches Bryan Shatzer play an exercise. Photo by Colleen Fowler. Chris Jones watches Ms. Gunter sign to the class. Photo by Mary Benton. Jennifer Craig listens to Mr. Mann lecture about tree measurements. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Sabrina Neese gives a presentation for her geography class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Jeremy Stein gives a presentation on different holiday celebrations. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Lucas Aylor works in his Biology class. Photo by Patrick Banville.

"IT FIGURES"

Number of pigs dissected in Mr. Stottlemyer's Biology class

Number of keys on the keyboard

Number of Christmas carols learned in Sign Language

6 Sixth Sense Many methods to memorization

- > "I USUALLY STUDY IN MY ROOM WITH THE radio on. It's the only way I can concentrate. Reading over my notes and writing stuff down helps me remember important things that I need to know for quizzes and tests." Brandy Wilcox
- > "I USUALLY HAVE A LOT OF HOMEWORK IN Latin and History. If I have tests in either of them I make sure I have enough time to really make sure I'm prepared. Doing my homework at my desk helps me concentrate." Ashley Davenport
- > "I USUALLY STUDY 90 MINUTES HOURS A NIGHT TO GET a good grasp of it. I like AP European History because there's only five people in our class which allows us to be more in depth with our lectures. I only took the class because I needed another history to graduate. I've learned so much in this class during the past semester, more than I thought I would." Mica Soto

- > "MR. MANN'S ADVANCED EARTH SCIENCE CLASS is so crowded. We have thirty-three students, and that makes it hard to really learn the material, and to get special help from the teacher if you need it." Ashley Flippo.
- > "I DON'T STUDY FOR VOCABULARY BECAUSE I can just look at it once and then I know it. For bigger things like tests, I study for about ten minutes and I'm all set." Amber Garcia-Laffitte
- > "I USUALLY STUDY IN MY ROOM AT MY DESK. IT'S the only place where I can really concentrate, sometimes the radio helps. I usually have to study every night, especially when I have a vocabulary quiz coming up. When I study I have to commit myself to it, and not do other things at the same time." Lisa DuCote



Taking a group test in Mr. McMillan's Business Law class, Tim Allmond, Sean Rhea, Stephen Morin, and Angie Dietz work together to come up with the correct answers. "His class is really relaxed," said Allmond. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Practicing his note-taking skills in Ms. Minor's class, Tyrone Brickhouse concentrates on his assignment. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



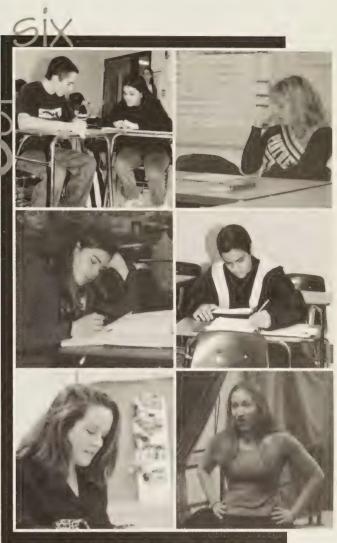
Chatting in Mr. McMillan's Business Law class, Krystal Johnson and Laconia Scott enjoy their free time along with Tabatha Futrell and Tiffany Williams. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.







Choosing pictures for his yearbook page, Josh Cox crops and tags them to match his layout. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach.*



Clockwise from left: Amanda Smith and Erik Meyer work together on a linear equation. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Caroline Smith checks over her completed yearbook worksheet. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. John Leather solves linear equations in Algebra class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Kara Nelson takes a stand in Drama class. Photo by Laura Mallet. Heather Benson crops a picture for a yearbook page. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Jez Sullenberger completes her Latin 11 assignment. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

"IT FIGURES"

Number of new vocabulary words learned in Latin II

Number of pages in a World History book

Number of pages due for all Earth Logs in Advanced Earth Science

Sense Many methods to memorization

- > "I HAVE ALGEBRA HOMEWORK EVERY NIGHT. It usually takes me about thirty minutes to finish all of it, but if I have a test I study extra longer to make sure I get a good grade. I always have to be doing two things when I'm doing my homework, like listening to the radio or watching T.V." -Shana Gaines
- > "I USUALLY HAVE WAY TOO MUCH HOMEWORK in Math, World History, and Science, so I'm always doing work for those classes. I usually do my homework at the kitchen table where it's quiet and I can really concentrate." - Amanda Smith
- > "I USUALLY STUDY IN MY ROOM WITH MY stereo on 101.1. Music helps me concentrate and I seem to be able to remember stuff when I do. I normally study for tests or for my hardest classes. I generally spend about four hours a night studying." -Stephanie Whitworth

- > "I DON'T REALLY NEED TO STUDY FOR SCHOOL. IF I do I just go over my notes. I do my homework at my desk in my room. I don't have a problem with things distracting me, I just do it." - Mark Rivera
- > "I ALMOST NEVER STUDY AND I GET ALL A'S. I just pay attention really well in class and then I don't need to." - Roman Marciniak
- > "I STUDY FOR OUIZZES AND TESTS BY READING my notes. I usually have a pretty good memory and that helps me a lot. If I'm really stuck on something I'll get my mom or sister to help me out." - Brian DuBay
- > "I STUDY FOR GEOMETRY BECAUSE IT IS THE hardest class. You can't just know it, you have to learn it. All my other classes are easy except for Latin. I just read over my notes and then I ask someone to quiz me." -Kenny Perkins



Rehearsing songs for their winter concert, Mr. Wayne's Advanced Chorus class trys to perfect their performance on different songs that they've learned. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Getting comfortable in her seat. Molly Cox prepares to do her Latin assignment. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



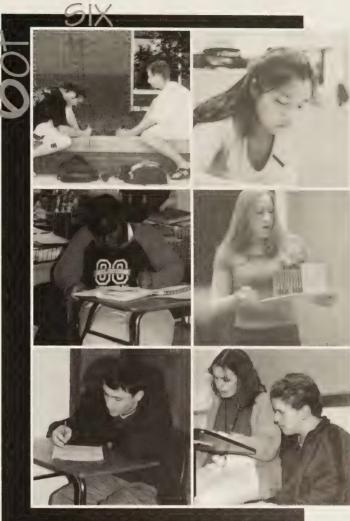
Enjoying the spring weather, Seth Henderson works on his homework outside in the Senior Courtyard. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.







Looking through an old yearbook for ideas, photojournalism students Leigha Surles and Mary Benton search for examples. "It's complicated trying to get the right angle for the picture," said Benton. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Clockwise from left: Chris Beran and Paul Hartlieb work together in their Earth Science II class. Photo by Colleen Fowler. Laura Weidenbach works on her portfolio during Photojournalism class. Photo by Mary Benton. Kara Nelson explains her project in Drama class. Photo by Laura Mallet. Mrs. Mannion helps a student during her Algebra I class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Jason Smith works on his Latin II test. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Jasmine Tripp works on her Latin II assignment. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

"IT FIGURES"

Number of pages in this yearbook

Number of tests in Ms. Crider's World History class

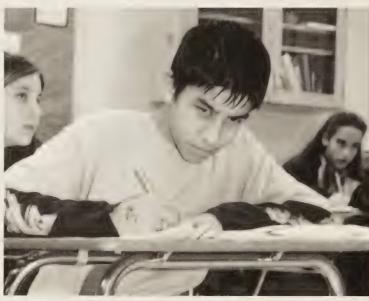
Pieces of paper used per six weeks in Ms. Cambell's English class

7 Seventh Heaven Six down, one to go, day's last period either heaven or oh well...

- > "BAND IS A TIME TO TALK TO YOUR FRIENDS. It's a time to enjoy yourself. The rewards and trophy's are the best part about it. It's great having it as the last class of the day." Lee Martin
- > "WE DO IMPROV IN THEATER ARTS AND THAT'S fun. I like the class all together. It's mainly a socializing class. I took it to get over a fear of public speaking. I like the teacher. She tries to put a lot of effort into the class to make new things."
 -Megan LeCount
- > "THE BEST THING ABOUT ALGEBRA II IS THAT it goes by really fast since it's our last class of the day. Since it's 7th period we get really loud and Mr. Burner has to remind us to be quiet." Becky Hilker
- > "THE BEST THING ABOUT HAVING SPANISH III for seventh period is the fact that it comes easy to me because Mrs. McCrary helps us out by

always giving us examples. This makes learning a whole lot easier." - Tabitha Futrell

- > "I DON'T ENJOY HAVING ADVANCED ALGEBRA II for seventh period because it is one of my hardest classes and I just want to leave school." Erik Dupilka
- > "I HAVE SPANISH III FOR SEVENTH PERIOD AND I enjoy this class a lot. It's a great way to end the day." Adam Rehburg
- > "I DON'T LIKE SEVENTH BECAUSE ITS MATH ANALYsis and it's a difficult class. The information we cover is sometimes very hard to comprehend." -Joe Fineman
- >" I LOVE MY SEVENTH PERIOD A LOT. I HAVE STUDY Hall and so I have time to get some homework done." Kelli-Beth Broome



Number of concerts performed per year in Symphonic Band

Number of poems read throughout the year in AP English 12

Number of deaf teachers in the school

Time of day seniors get to leave and go home

Number of books read over the summer by AP English 12 students Taking notes in Mrs. Fuller's World History class, Shawn Dang listens to the lesson. "History can be fun at times and get you excited," said Dang. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

A student remark during seventh period AP Government gives instructor James Lee a reason to smile. This class contains only seven students. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.











Reading a story in Mrs. McDaniel's Advanced English 10 class, Amy Williams sits quietly as she finishes up her work. *Photo by Alan Cooke.*

Trying to talk to her friend Tasha Poe, Sarah Carter quickly turns around before the teacher catches her. *Photo by Mindi Miller*.

Concentrating on making oragami birds, JP Yurgel and Dean Park enjoy their lesson from the school's temporary Japanese teacher Mr. Takii. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Working on their Japanese ink writings, Victoria Blankenbaker and Matt Phelgar share different ideas about what to draw. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*



7 Six down, one to go, day's last period either heaven or oh well...

- > "ADVANCED CHEMISTRY IS MY SEVENTH PERIOD and I really enjoy it because Mr. Kerns trusts us more than regu;ar Chemistry. We get to do what we want and we don a lot of interactive labs." Amanda Heiman
- > "I HAVE MRS. JORDAN SEVENTH PERIOD AND SHE is a great math teacher. She makes the class fun and has something new for us to do everyday. I thoroughly enjoy her class." Trae Heubi
- > "I HAVE BAND SEVENTH PERIOD AND IT'S NICE to have a fun class to end the day. The class is really laid back and relaxing," said Emily Sheckles.
- > "I HAVE DRAMA SEVENTH PERIOD AND THERE are a lot of different people in different grades so it is fun getting to know them all. It's also the last class of the day which is great." Susannah Nielsen

- > "I'M IN A SENIOR CLASS SEVENTH PERIOD AND the best part of it is that we get to leave two minutes early so we can get in our cars and beat the buses." Stacy Terrel
- > "MY SEVENTH PERIOD GOES BY REALLY FAST. We do so much groupwork and its easier to learn that way. Geography is by far my favorite." Thomas Adams
- > "I LIKE MY SEVENTH PERIOD BECAUSE I HAVE art, and it's nice to have a mellowed out class to end the day." J.P Yurgel
- > "DURING MY SEVENTH PERIOD STUDY HALL I USE my time finishing up homework so I won't have to bring many books home. I have more time to hang out with my friends after school and socialize." - Jay Morris



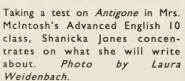
Number of steps in completing a computer program

Number of pushups required per day in Mr. Hence's P.E class

Percent of students who move on after their first year of Theater Arts

Number of books read by the end of the year in AP English 12

Number of songs played per year in Symphonic Band



Watching his classmates play hangman in Ms. Campbell's English 9 class, Adam Thomas enjoys his free time. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.







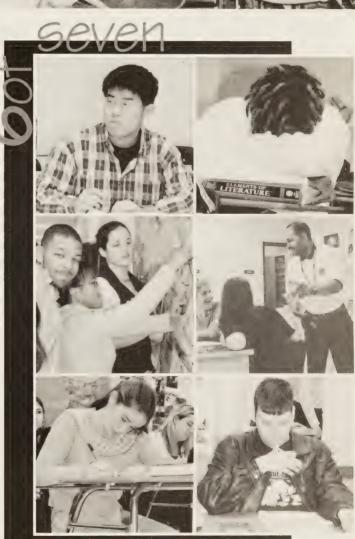
Learning to write his name in Japanese during Art class, Daniel Rosas concentrates on his almost completed task. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*

Using free time to read her book, Carley Rehberg waits for the period to end. "When I finish up tests I like to read books," said Rehburg. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Presenting their shields to the class, Shannon Vitarius and Lindsey Bagley talk about why they put certain things on them. Ms. Jones gave each student 3 days to complete them. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Admiring what students brought in for African Day, Mindi Miller and Ms. Anderson look at the different pots and their variety of colors. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





Clockwise from left: Hansub Chong takes notes in Government. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. EJ Jackson rests his head. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Lafayette Dichinson explains fund-raising techniques. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Ryan Plamp studies for a test. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Laura Moran takes a test in English class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Students hang up their shields for AP English. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Waiting patiently for the awards Toni Nichols, and Natasha Gonzales Weidenbach.

Talking before the awards assembly, ceremony to start, Kathy Ovard, Derek Sears and Greg Pavella take their seat. "I was impressed by the look around. Photo by Laura amount of students in attendance," said Sears. Photo by Kelly Romine.





Clockwise from left; Alicia Prickett takes a snack after the awards assembly. Photo by Kelly Romine. Tara Laymen looks over papers with her parents. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Isaac Rodriguez and Zack Mote look over papers with Rodriquez's mother. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Daniel Ross listens to the guest speaker. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Amanda Antosh enjoys the refreshments while talking to her mother, Photo by Kelly Romine. Michele Jacobs smiles after setting up the refreshment table. Photo by Mary Benton.





After the awards ceremony, award recipients and their families were invited to stay for refreshments in the auxilary gym. Patrick Sykes laughs at a joke from his mother. Photo by Kelly

With proud smiles on their faces, sisters Janette and Janelle Bumpus stand up. Both received an award for 4.0 and above GPA. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Sum it Up What it takes to make the grade

> "I GO HOME AND STUDY LIKE CRAZY. I study from 3:30 till 9:00 with a break or two. My sister and I quiz each other and try to find ways to help each other do better. Having someone to study with makes it more interesting. In the long run it's going to pay off. Our school work comes first, then we get to "play". Our schedule is set around school; we don't go out until our work is done. We only work on the weekends to give us more time for school. Our parents set our priorities for us and that is what helps us stick on task. We want them to be proud as well as know that we came this far by ourselves. You can't reach your goals without trying!" - Janelle Bumpus

> "TO EARN MY GPA THAT GOT ME MY ACADEMIC Letter, I did my homework and studied before all of my tests and quizzes. If I don't understand something I ask the teacher for help or stay after. I make flashcards and get people to quiz me before taking tests." - Samantha Mitchell

> "TO EARN MY 4.0, I HAD TO BE DEDICATED TO my classes and do my homework every night. My parents always expected me to be on the honor roll and they kept persuading me to do my best." - Elizabeth Sabu

> "I HAD TO MAINTAIN A 3.5 GPA BECAUSE MY parents made me. I always tried my best on tests and everyday assignments. I study only when I need to." - Carrie Smith

> "IT TAKES A LOT OF EFFORT AND DETERMINAtion to earn a 3.5 or better. I always make sure I turn in all my assignments on time and study whenever I get a chance." - Elizabeth Easley

> "TO EARN MY 4.0 I WORK REALLY HARD IN school and always pay attention. I know all my hard work will pay off eventually when I have a good job making lots of money." - Martin Rodriguez

Number of students who earned a GPA of 4.0 and above

Number of students who received a 3.5-3.99 GPA

Number of AP scholar's with distinction- Lindsay Biddinger

Number of guest speakers at the Academic Awards Assembly (Rob Ukrop)

Percent of students receiving a 3.5 or better last year



Proudly standing after their names have been called, Kelly Schnable, Elizabeth Klughardt, Caroline Smith, and Jessica Seargent are recognized for their academic achievement. "Hearing my name being called was very rewarding," said Schnable. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Smiling after her name was called, Tara Brown waits while the rest of the students are announced. During the ceremony, Rob Ukrop talked to students about setting goals and sticking to them. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Twenty Two

Battling for control of the ball, forward Allison Davies tries to outrun her defender during a home game against Courtland. In their five season victories, the field hockey team scored 22 total goals, averaging 4.4 goals per victory. Photo by Laura Woldenbach



Thirteen

Going up strong against her defender, Tazia Kizer finishes off a fast break with a lay-up for two points. Kizer led all scorers with thirteen points as Massaponax won the home game against Caroline, 50-26. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*



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Fifty Five

Increasing her lead on her closest follower, Amy Franklin keeps a steady pace through the woods during the cross country meet on October 26. Franklin ran over \$5 total kilometers in meets alone, approximately 34.1 miles, and more than three times that in daily practices combined. Photo by Alan Cooke.



Twelve

Trying to get the crowd into the game, varsity cheerleaders Sherri Culpepper, Megan Barley, and Rachel Mountjoy cheer on the football team in the season finale against Spotsy. The cheers of all twelve members of the fall squad, along with a huge supporting crowd, helped keep the Panthers in the game to the very end until Spotsy pulled away with a 22-10 victory. Photo by Lauren Clements.



One

Compensating for the break in the green, senior Jason Bonner, the Free Lance-Star's Golfer of the Year, lines up his putt, hoping that it will end up in the hole. Bonner has been the number one golfer since his sophomore year, which also makes him the only at MHS to ever hold that title. *Photo by Coach Seftas.*

Thirty Nine

Avoiding his defender while dribbling toward the goal, midfielder Todd Pickering tries to create a scoring opportunity against Blacksburg in the state championship game. Pickering ended the season with 39 points, including a team-high 17 assists. Photo by Sandy Woodcock.

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Number of athletic facilities: 15. Number of seats in the stadium: 5001. Number of seats in the gym: 1660. NUmber of Battlefield District opponents: 6. Number of District Titles in school history (by fall '00): 7. Number of Regional Titles in school history (by fall '00): 3. Number of trophies won in school history (by fall '00): 56; Number of plaques: 21. Number of spring sport athletes: 121. Number of fall sport athletes: 121. Number of winter sport athletes: 164. Number of Olympians: 1. Number of state championships participated in: 11. Number of sports students participate in yearly: 1.

Playing 4 The Love of the Game

>RAPPED-UP: Junior teammates Cole Eller and Eric Ludden. While the duo was best known for their athletic talent, they also competed with each other in a different way. "After every game we won, on the bus ride home we would always rap about each other," said Ludden. "I was reigning champion for the season but I almost lost my crown to Cole. He did a good rap about me as we were pulling into the school." Although Ludden may have lost their battle on the bus, he went on to win the war. "As we were walking towards the locker room I did my best rap

ever," said Ludden."Everyone was going crazy."

>BONDED: Teammates Derrick Sears and Trae Heubi. "I remember one of our better wins against Chancellor, because Trae, our pitcher, was getting down on himself early in the game, but came back to redeem himself with the goahead hit. He really helped win the game for us," said Sears. Heubi and Sears have been teammates on varsity for the past three seasons and have used those years as ample time to get to know each other better and become closer friends.

>First: The J.V. Baseball

team, after they won the Battle-field District. "It was pretty cool to win districts for the first time in Massaponax history," said **Brett Locklair**.

>EMOTIONAL: Coach Perry, after the J.V. Baseball team won districts. "It felt great winning districts because our team has a lot of talent. Mr. Perry started getting very emotional after we won," said James Beacorn.

>SUPERSTITIOUS: J.V. Baseball team, about what they wear on their feet for each game, not only for luck, but also for team unity. "We wear the same black socks for every game," said Alan Arrington.



2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"My best moment, definitely, was when we all jumped Coach Osso at the end of the season. We held him down while we poured water on his head "-Eric Ludden "The best moment of the season was when we came back from a ten run deficit against Spotsy with one inning left to play and won the game." - Cole Fller

Ambers that count

.400

Accumulative season batting average of Trae Heubi, the highest of any varsity team member last season

6

Number of times, in one inning, that pitcher Sean Fulconer hit the backstop with errant pitches. 3

Number of offensive strikeouts by Derrick Sears, fewest by any batter on last year's varsity team.

35

Number of defensive strikeouts by Trae Heubi, most by any pitcher on last year's varsity team

7

Number of players' batting helmets left by varsity team members at Fluvanna High School after an away game

24

Number of total base hits by Derrick Sears last season, most by any varsity team member. .319

Overall combined batting average of the fifteen varsity players on last year's team.

6

Number of total homeruns hit, as a team, by Varsity batters last season.



Final

Record:

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Varsity

Baseball:

Fluvanna 13-10,

Monticello

4-8, Albermarle 0-5, Spotsylvania 14-12, Potomac 9-10, James Monroe 10-8,

Courtland 8-23, King George 12-1, King George 20-8, Caroline 1-12, Louisa 1-2, Chancellor 5-6,

James Monroe 6-0,

Spotsylvania

Closely watching the game, Stephin Morin rests in the dugout, waiting for his next turn to bat. Photo by Erica Thomas.

After a long inning of work, Cole Eller walks off the field. "Playing catcher is the most physically demanding position in baseball. It really takes a toll on your knees," Eller said. Photo by Erica Thomas.





Using a paint bucket for leverage, Coach Osso waits with Coach Ludden for the game to begin. *Photo by Erica Thomas*.

Huddling together for a team chant, the varsity team prepares to take the field for another inning of work during a game at The Diamond in Richmond. Photo by Erica Thomas.

varsity BASEBALL

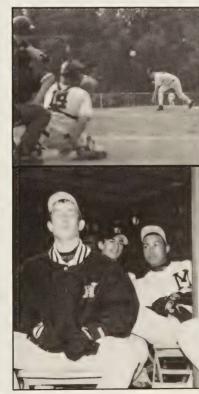
Front Row: Erica Thomas, Derrick Sears, Cole Eller, Cathy Hilker. Second Row: Shawn Faulconer, Colt Osterman, Joe Perry, Trae Heubi, Ricky Rivas, Back Row: Coach Osso, Kyle Brock, Stephen Morin, Ray Gill, Eric Omohundro, Jimmy Hairfield, B.J. Brooks, Eric Ludden



jv BASEBALL

Front Row: Justin Carrico , James Beackorn, Marcus Lowery. Second row: Kyle Barnes, Chris Bailey, Jason Morris, Ricky Moore, Justin Smith , Bret Locklair. Third Row: Coach Sam Moore, JasonAdams, Richie Perkens, Steven Knight, Jon Gardner, Alan Arrington, John Campbell, Brian Cannington, Coach Perry.







Following through, Trae Heubi throws a fast ball to an opposing batter. Gulping his Powerade, Eric Ludden takes a break from the game. Rick Rivas and Antonio Nunez talk while Shawn Faulconer watches on. *Photos by Erica Thomas*.

Courtland 0-3, Chancellor 7-6,

Caroline

3-1,

Staring down the pitcher, Christen Duchemin waits for the pitch in a home game against Caroline. "The key point to hitting is keeping your eye on the ball, if you pull your head out your chances of hitting it are slim," said Duchemin. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Watching the game carefully Shannon Duchemin waits for her turn to bat. "Normally when it was our team's turn to bat, I just leave my gear on until I am on deck. It gets tiring taking it all off and putting it back on in between innings," said Duchemin. Photo by Ashley Ferren.





jv SOFTBALL

Front Row: Jenna Searle, Christine Scatchard. Second Row: Ashley Yeager, Nikki Ferren, Tara Condie, Sommer Wells, Lindsay Lascara, Giselle Slye, Heather Reynolds. Back Row: Coach Parrish, Sara Newton, Sarah Lance, Allyson Burns, Sheri Culpepper, Allison Grau, Rebecca Lance



-2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"The end of the season was a little discouraging, but we gave 100% all year."-Jennifer Mitchell

"I've been playing softball longer than I can remember; I've always loved it.." - Sara Newton



Monica Nolan concentrates on the pitcher while waiting for her turn at bat in a home game against Caroline. "It is always important to watch the pitcher before it is your turn to hit, different pitchers have different speeds and while you are on deck you work on getting your timing down," said Nolan. Photo by Ashley Ferren.



Second baseman Tara Condie waits as the umpire calls the runner at second base safe. "In many close calls, the advantage goes to the runner, which is why you have to make your plays clear," said Condie. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Not 2 Soft 4 Us

>UNDERDOGS: The team's status before their first regular-season matchup against "Everyone Chancellor. thought that Chancellor would dominate the season. People were saying that they were unbeatable in the district," said right fielder Valerie Smith. "The first time we faced them last season, we proved everyone wrong by beating them 3-1." It was a major accomplishment, because Chancellor was a heavy favorite. We went out there with determination and confidence. Everyone knew we wanted it more than they did, and we got it."

>OVERCONFIDENT: Many varsity players' attitude following their upset of district-favorite Chancellor. The win, their first ever over Chancellor, put the Panthers in first place, but not for very long. The team took on King George the next day in a double header. "We weren't worried about [facing King George] since they were sixth in the district. We thought we could just go ahead and mark two wins in the book," said sophomore Veronica Lansden. The team ended up losing a close first game, 1-0. "Instead of taking it seriously, we thought we had it easy, King George proved us wrong, and they put us right back third place," said Lansden.

>DISAPPOINTED: The team's attitude after a loss in the district tournament. The winner of the game against Spotsylvania would move on to regionals. The team was confident heading into sixth inning with a 3-0 led. In the sixth however, Spotsylvania rallied. "We suddenly had a rude awakening," said shortstop Kristine Rivas. The team went on to lose the game 4-3, and the upset ended their season. Rivas added that the loss served as a learning experience, and that the team will be successful next season.

varsity SOFTBALL

Front Row: Buddy Rodgers, Jackie D'Ambrosio, Shannon Faulconer, Courtney Carter, Kristine Rivas, Shannon Duchemin, Back Row: Coach Rivas, Coach Di Ambrosio, Christen Duchemin, Valerie Smith, Jessica Burnopp, Jennifer Mitchell, Veronica Lansden, Monica Nolan, Coach Ball.





With a look of concentration on her face, Rebecca Lance makes a pitch in a home game against Chancellor. Photo by Ashley Ferren

Numbers that Count

.615

720

Number of seniors who graduated from last spring's team, one third of the entire varsity roster.

Winning percentage of the JV team, after being victorious in eight of their thirteen total regular-season games.

Total number of balls -as opposed to strikes-that JV batters drew last season to account for the 180 walks they were awarded.

Number of hours, approximately, that the varsity team stood alone in first place atop the **Battlefield District** after upsetting Chancellor, then falling to King George the next day

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Front Row: David Newton, Jason Dempsey, Jordan Hitz, Gabriel Souers-Beck, Max Sukalo, Travis Farmer. Back Row: Chris Raynore, Chip Clark, Eric Meyers, Ted Berna, Greg Pavella, Chris Farmer, Coach Shinberger.



GIRLS' TENNIS

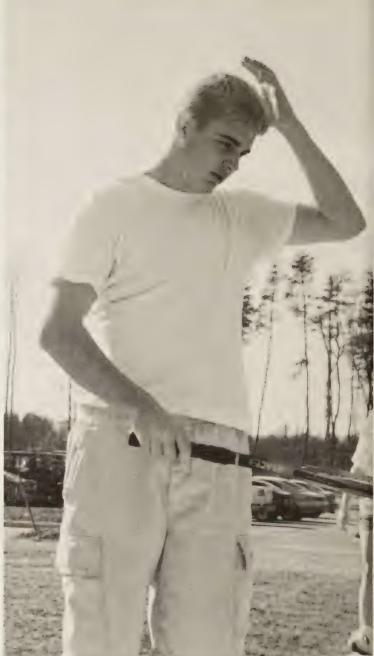
Front Row: Kelly Romine. Second Row: Catherine Walden, Ellen Lusby, Amanda Antosh, Heather Reynolds. Back Row: Eric Vonoyen, Mariann Hedrick, Shannon Voss Coach Myers, Whitney Clark, Elizabeth Easley, Elisabeth Klughardt.





At a practice, Chip Clark uses the bungee to try to stop reaching. Waiting for a hit, Jason Dempsey can only tryto move as Dan Noel holds him back. Through the longest match of the season, Coach Shinberger and Ted Berna take a break. Photos by Laura Weidenbach.







Working on improving his hand-eye coordination, Jason Dempsey bounces a ball off his raquet again and again while he simultaneously straightens his hair. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Attempting to improve his serve, Ted Berna tries to achieve | perfect | technique. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





to score. Hedrick was one of only two seniors on the team. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Time spent on stretching was well spent, as it helped the team avoid injuries. Whitney Clark "stretches "her "legs. Photo by Laura Wiedenbach.

Serving 4 the Match

>THRILLED: Sophmore Max Sukalo at the possibility of being the team's new lead. "Since we've lost our top two seeds I hope to move up and take the number one or two spot. The strengths of playing since I was eight helps to triumph over my opponents," Sukalo said.

>BLINDED: Sophomore Ellen Lusby, during some of her matches. "The wind and the sun played a big part in the matches. It all depended on what side of the court you were on, to whether or not the sun effected our vision," Lusby said.

>OPTIMISTIC: Coach Shinberger after losing the

district championship to Chancellor. "[Overall we] could be more consistent and be in better shape to help improve the way we play but the season turned out to be better than I expected it to be. It would've been helpful if Chancellor hadn't been in our district either," Coach Shinberger remarked.

>PERSISTENT: Max Sukalo, after suffering an injury. Even though Sukalo had an injured leg, he still gave it his all to win. "I didn't want to let the team down [with all the pressure] being my first year of high school. One of the reasons I lost was thinking I could win before even playing," Sukalo said.

>DISAPPOINTED: Lusby, after sustaining an unfor-

tunate injury. "In out district match against Caroline I was playing doubles with Elizabeth Easley. We had won the first match, and were up 4-3 in the second set. I was going for the ball, tripped over my own feet and fell to the ground. Then I tried to get up. It took the rescue squad ten minutes to get to the court, just to tell me that it wasn't that bad. The bad part about it was that we lost our seat in regionals."

>CONCERNED: Heather Reynolds, after Lusby's unlucky injury. "We weren't that concerned about the loss, but more that she was okay," said Reynolds.

2 Good 2 be 4 gotten

"There were two freshmen on our team. They were better than everyone else, and brought everybody up to their level. We were really close." -- Elizabeth Easley

"Tennis is one of my favorite sports because it comes so naturally to me."-- Greg Pavela

Length, in minutes, of the longest match last year on the boys' team, a doubles contest played by Ted Berna and Eric Myers

Distance from top of net to ground, in inches

88

Massaponax record for speed of fastest serve, in miles per hour, obtained by Ted Berna

Average number of balls in each practice bucket the team used daily to help improve their strokes

65

Amount, in pounds, of pressure on the strings of a properly strung tennis racket, in order to ensure the best contact with the ball

Massaponax record for most number of aces served in one match

420

Average number of times a tennis ball was hit in each tennis match last season

Longest distance traveled, in miles, of farthest match at Newport **News for** Regionals.

Front Row: Glenn Skinner, Demetrius Moore, Richie Rios. Second Row: Mathew Van Allen, Scott Henderson, Mike Scelzo, Rob Richards, Allen Cook. Back Row: Brock Krogstad, Manager Nichole Showers, Adam Conner, Colt Hagmier, Micheal Jurkhow, Andrew Simms, Lawerance Suggs, Xiomara Rosales, Dominique Waller.

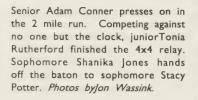


GIRLS TRACK

Front Row: Amy Franklin, Bridget Benedict, Erin Chapman, Remy Merriam, Tonia Rutherford Back Row: Coach Cochinos, Xiomara Rosales, Erin Chapman, Stacy Potter, Michelle Krier, Dominique Waller, Nicole Showers, Coach Davis.













Adjusting his cleats, sophomore Matty Van Allen prepares for the upcoming race. Photo by Jon Wassink.

Trying to keep warm, sophomore Stacy Potter huddles next to fellow runner and senior Erin Chapman. Photo by Jon Wassink.





Signaling 2 laps remaining, Coach Meehan encourages his runner to do their very best at ever meet. Photo by Jon Wassink.

Junior Lawrence Suggs hands off the baton to sophomore Mario Askew in the 4x1 relay. Photo by Jon Wassink

Run 4 Fun

>BACKBONE: Sophomore Ashleigh Smith because her team was counting on her to win the race against Spotsylvania. "I was nervous because everyone was depending on me," she said. "Most of the people on the track team are my friends," she said. "There was four of us for the mile, and I was the last leg for the race." Smith didn't let the pressure of having such a vital role get to her, and she was able to end up victorious. "I won the race for the team and it felt great to win," said Smith.

>IMPROVED: Junior Remy Merriam, who went to Districts and dropped her two mile run by thirty seconds, setting a new school record. The record was even more impressive because of Merriam's participation in two sports during one season. "It was hard for me since I was on the girls' soccer team and track team. For junior varsity soccer we were always moving and for track we were always working out," said Merriam.

>RESILIENT: Junior Tonia Rutherford, who was nervous and felt sick in her stomach at the starting line before every meet. Rutherford experienced butterflies in her stomach before the competition began, but was able to channel the apprehension into aggressiveness against her opponents. "Once the race began though I felt a lot better," said Rutherford. "One scrimmage I

was running the 400 and my times hadn't been that good and I didn't think I was going to improve it, but I did that day. I was proud of myself."

>Goosed: Junior Nick Knepp, and other members of the team, after an unexpected run-in during a seemingly routine practice. "One time we were running through the woods, and we saw a goose sitting there on a rock. We upset it when we ran by, and it started flapping it's wings at us and hitting us. We were running away from something that had no teeth and couldn't bite us," said Knepp. Luckily, Knepp and his teammates walked away unharmed.

2 Good 2 Be 4-gotten

"There's no greater feeling than winning a race. The best feeling in the world is knowing you're faster than someone." --- Andrew Sims "You need to have mental discipline to run. You have to have your mind telling you to keep running when your body tells you to quit."--- Rob Richards

Numbers that Count

2:28

Time, in minutes

and seconds, that

it took Erin

Chapman to run

the girls' 800M, a

school record

5:38

9:17.6

Height, in feet, of Adam Conner's highest pole vault

Time, in minutes and seconds, in which Stacy Potter ran the 1600M Time, in minutes and second, it took Colt Hagmeier, Nick Knepp, Rob Richards, and Matty Van Allen to run the 3200M relay

47'7

jump, a school

record

Distance, in feet and inches, of Lawrence Suggs' best triple

Number of feet around the track

Time, in minutes and seconds, that it took Richard Rios to run the boys' 800M, a school record

2:09

4:38.8

Best time, in minutes and seconds, for Erin Chapman, Shanicka Jones, Stacy Potter, and Tonia Rutherford to run the 400M relay

Sports • Track

Playing 4 Keeps

>TOLERANT: The entire soccer team when they had to practice no matter what."One time we had to practice when it was snowing," said Varsity player Sarah Moran, "Everybody was slipping in the mud and sludge. Our field was so bad that halfway through the season we had to switch and practice at Legion."

> DISASTROUS: Stephanie Holland's injury. "I broke my ankle in the first scrimmage," said Holland, "It was so heartbreaking. It was really hard to watch my team from the sidelines for the majority of the season. I wasn't able to help

them out. I tried to be there for them emotionally rather than physically."

>TRIUMPHANT:

Sarah Moran, and the rest of the team, after Moran came up with a last minute save in a crucial game. "There was one game we played against Courtland, our biggest rivals, that I'm sure everyone remembers," said Varsity player lessica McDonald, "Sarah was the back up goalie and she'd never played before. When our regular goalie, Adrienne [Ward], got sick, Sarah had to play. The game was tied I-I and someone had a hand ball in the box, which meant that the other team got to take penalty kick on Sarah. We were all doubtful and angry saying 'Oh,

Sarah's going to miss it!' But when the girl [took her shot], Sarah dove out really far on top of the ball. She saved the penalty kick and we ended up winning the game!"

>STRENUOUS: The team's endless effort at practice. "We had to practice everyday," said JV player Rebecca Carl, "On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays we had to workout for thirty minutes, and on Tuesdays and Thursdays we had to run around in the woods for thirty minutes. We made it fun though and sometimes we would sing. Fridays were usually our fun days and we would get to play games."



2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"The season meant to me dedication and friendship, because if I was not there, I wouldn't be able to play in a soccer game."--- Reshma Patel

"My most memorable part of the season was the first game and the preseason tournament. We won 11-1 and 1 scored my first goal for the varsity team."--- Kelly Schnabel

33

Total number of assists compiled by the varsity team during the season

Number of girls receiving honorable mention on District team: Wing Danielle McKenrick and Defender Shana Romano

37

Number of total goals scored. Striker Reshma Patel led the team with 15 scores.

572

Total number of defensive takeaways by the defense, led by sweeper Jen Greenfield

Number of years, consecutively, that Christine Tharp won the MVP Award for the Ukrop's Tournament

20.8

Average number of headers per game by the varsity team

Number of girls who made the All-Region First Team, the same as the number of girls who made the All-Region Second Team

103

Total number of keeper saves





After beating a defender, Reshma Patel runs to the goal. Patel scored 15 goals on the season, which led the team. Photo by Stevi Antosh.

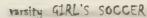
During practice, Grace Santiago takes a break to listen to Coach Gebhart's instructions on a drill. Photo by Stevi Antosh.





Goalkeeper Adrienne Ward leans over to block a pass during practice before a game. *Photo by Stevi Antosh.*

Stretching before a game, Christine Tharp warms up her leg muscles. The team had to to 22 different stretches before each game. Photo by Stevi Antosh.



Front Row: Jo-Al Simmerman, Adrienne Ward, Jenny Connell, Second Row: Grace Santiago, Danielle McKenrick, Jessica McDonald, Jen Greenfeld, Kelly Schnabel, Vanessa Roycroft. Third Row: Jon Wassink, Shana Ramano, Rachael Spencer, Stephanie Holland, Debbie Moore, Sarah Carter, Coach Gebhart. Back Row: Trevor Walsh, Rebecca Richards, Heather Schnell, Laura Moran, Sarah Moran, Christine Tharp, Denise Machonis, Reshma Patel, Fine Forester.



in GIRL'S SOCCER

Front row: Remy Merriam, Regan Merriam, Emily Wassink. Second Row: Jenna Louderback, Sara Stultz, Candice Price, Jenny Bock, Carrie Smith. Third Row: Mandi Cabral, Jeri Nickles, Nicole Santa, Kristinia Vitek. Back Row: Coach Newbill, Allison Bock, Rebecca Carl, Katelyn Schnorr, Ashley Shortt, Allison Davies, Justin Kole







Shana Romano protects the ball from an approaching opponent. After trapping a pass, Vanessa Roycroft dribbles towards the goal. An injured Stephanie Holland watches her teammates try hard to win a tough game. Photos by Stevi Antosh.

varsity EGYS' SOCCER

Front Row: DeWayne Ovard, Ian Kaila, Scott Holland, BJ Sayles. Second Row: Devin Wright, Dane Lewis, Kelvin Jones, Brandon Rehberg, John Broughton, Todd Pickering, Cliff Campbell. Third Row: Troy Simpson, Randall Pierce, Justin Patton, Shane Dunlap, Justin Peabody, Mark Blake. Back Row: Coach Farrel, Brian Anderson, Andrew Shin, Adam Rehburg, Marc Smith, Jonathon Morrow, Ben Cox, Zac Shaw, Coach Campbell.



IN EGYS' SOCCER

Front Row: Sam Payne, Tim McDermott, Sean Fulcomer, Chris White. Second Row: Robert Quesenbury, Angel Santiago, Josh Hayes, Justin Peabody, Frankie Belcher, Third Row: T.J. Hall, Ryan Sharkey, Alex Peabody, Jeramy Young. Back Row: Coach Campbell, Chris Petrie, Tim Sturtevant, Juan Rosas, Zach Mote, Jared Destackleburg, Jeremy Hayes, Matt Gillespie, Coach Farrel.









ball in early season practice at Riverview Elementary. Photos by

Sandra Woodcock.



Only 1 Win Away

>SOAKED: Josh Hayes, after a practical joke. "One time the varsity team duct taped me and my brother Jeremy to a shower pole in the locker room and turned the water on," said Hayes. "They played that joke more than once and on other teammates, so we weren't the only ones to get it," said Jeremy Hayes."

>CONDITIONED: The team. once last season ended and the new one had not yet begun. During the off season many students would lift weights or jog to stay in shape, but when the season started and practices began, there were a few different opinions on what they were like. "Practice was serious at times, but we always had fun and learned a lot," said Chris White. Another player who seemed to enjoy practice was Ben Cox . "Power, Finesse was a fun shooting game that we played every couple of weeks. Towards the end of the season though, we played it more often," said Cox. >DISAPPOINTED: The team after losing by one goal in the state championship game to Blacksburg, 3-2. "The two games that stick out in my mind that we should have won. The first game was the battlefield District final game against Chancellor we had beaten them two times already that season but we into the game too cocky and lost 0-2. And the second time we were disappointed was when we lost in the State

Final game to Blacksburg we were a much better team then they were but they beat us 3-2." said Dane Lewis.

>ELEVATED: B.J. Sayles. after scoring a game winning goal in the state semifinal game against Jamestown on June 9, 2000. After playing a close game for a full 90 minutes, the score was tied 1-1 and the teams went to overtime. Halfway through thw extra period, Andrew Shin dribbled the ball deep into the lamestown box before lifting a soft pass over the goalie that Sayles jumped up and headed in for the winning goal. The win sent the team into wild celebration and put them in the next day's final.

2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"This was my first year playing varsity, but my lack of experience didn't hurt very much. When you go to the state championship, you're going to have butterflies in your stomach, no matter how experienced you are."-Zac Shaw

"The fields we practiced on all season were so rough that we were used to playing in rough conditions for a lot of our regular-season and playoff games." - Todd Pickering

Numbers that Count

Total number of

Total number of

32

goals scored

Average number

of goals per game

Percentage of

games won in '00

shots taken on goal by the varsity team

643

Combined number of assists tallied by strikers Todd Pickering and Brian Anderson who had 17 and 15, respecthe team in the category while

Total number of

miles from

Massaponax to

Cave Spring Middle

School, the site of

the state champion-

ship.

tively. Pickering led Anderson finished a close second. Cliff Campbell was third on the team with 14 assists

28

Total number of

goals scored in two games vs. Caroline

Total number of varsity wins in school history

Total number of defeats in school history

While preparing for states, Todd Pickering and Matt Wright take a break to eat food from McDonald's. The two were essential players to the team's success. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Hoping to improve his short game, John Campbell lines up his putt on on of the par four greens during a practice round. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.







Practicing reading different breaks in the green, Ryan Evans takes a few putts on the practice green as teammate Todd Pickering looks on. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Chipping his ball back on to the green, Todd Pickering tries to save par after laying up in the short rough. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.







2 Much 2 Handle

>SHORT CHANGED: How the golf team felt after losing the regionals to Jamestown. "The first day we were on a role we were in first place. Then I don't know what happened we just didn't play our game. I was so disappointed in everyone. I couldn't believe that we lost to Jamestown we were so close to winning," said sophomore John Campbell.

>MEMORABLE: The career's of several of the golf team's players, who had spent a considerable amount of time playing together. "I spent four years with some of these guys

three hours a day, we ended up becoming really close and having a lot of fun. I'll never forget these guys I have so many memories like winning the State Championship game in 1999," said senior David Newton.

>DRIVEN: Sophomore Matt Wright. "My goal for every match is to have my personal best or even make it well under par, like when the entire team broke a record at Lee's Hill. I always pushed myself to getting better. That is how I made it to states. I just thought I could do better and that's exactly how I got better," said Wright.

>INSTINCTIVE: Junior Daniel

Ross' desire to play golf. Ross had been playing golf since before he started attending school. "I started golfing when I was five years old, and the main reason was because my dad took me out on the course one day, "said Ross. Ross has been a member of the golf team for the past three seasons. It was an easy decision for Ross to join the golf team once he entered high school. "I'd been golfing pretty much my whole life, so I thought I might as well play for the school," said Ross. "It made sense for me to go out for the team."

GOLF

Front Row: Jason Perdu, Bret Marsh. Back Row: Brent Cunningham, Ryan Craig, Todd Pickering, Dale Parker, Matt Wright, Ryan Evens, Daniel Ross, David Newton, Parry Seay, Coach Eastlake.





After a drive, Ryan Evens keeps a close eye on this shot to see where it lies. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Numbers that Count

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146

Senior Jason Bonner's place in the Battlefield District Tournament, the same as his regular season ranking in district play Lowest score of the season for the golf team, the total of the four lowest-scoring golfers over nine holes, in a meet aginst Spotsylvania

Number of defeats suffered by the team this season after a 168-166 loss to King George in district play; also the only district loss in school history 4

Jason Bonner's place in the state tournament, the highest of any golfer ever in school history

3

Number of players who placed in the state tournament

Rebuilding 4 the Future

>So CLOSE: The varsity team, after placing fifth in the district and not qualifying for the district tournament. "Chancellor field hockey had gone undefeated and we had a chance to show them that we were as good as they were, we got pumped up for the game and played the best we could. Even though we ended up losing, the score was only one to nothing and we definitely showed Chancellor a tough game," said junior Lindsey Fuoco.

>ALMOST THERE: The junior varsity field hockey team, after finishing their season in third place. "It all came

down to the game when we played Chancellor, it was a close game, but we ended up losing," said cocaptain **Megan Borders**.

>SPIRITED: The team, in an attempt to get ready for the game, and to show support for each other. In order to get ready for a big game the field hockey team did lots of activities to get them pumped up. "A lot of the time we went out to breakfast, had sleepovers, or made posters and t-shirts; this helped the team get to know each other by spending time together off the field," said junior co-captain Emily Erwin. >PSYCHED: The team, before each game. The girls had a few rituals that they would do at the beginning of every game. One specific chant was done right before the team would take the field. "Before every game we would get in a circle and scream at the top of our lungs to get pumped up for the game we were about to play," said sophomore Laura Moran.

>EXPERIENCED: Junior Emily Erwin, who played varsity for the past three seasons. "One thing about playing all these years is that you get really close to the other players, and you form great friendships. Everyone on the team has become very close," Erwin said.



Before an away game at King George, Amanda Davidson gets her face painted to show off her pride. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

varsity FIELD HOCKEY

Bottom Row: Kathryn Rose, Jo-Al Simmerman, Laura Wunderlich, Jen Greenfield, Heather Schnell, Jessica McDonald, Kelly Romine. Second Row: Mandi Cabral, Lindsey Fuoco, Laura Schrader, Sara Stultz. Third Row: Coach Hillin, Sarah Carter, Emily Erwin, Alison Davies, Laura Moran, Danielle McKenrick, Monica Nolan, Jessica Schindler. Coach Carter



Lympsers that Count

3

Number of 2nd Team All-District members: goalie Jen Greenfield, right link Sarah Carter, and center link Danielle McKenrick.

7

Number of seniors on the varsity team

3

Total number of Jessicas, Lauras, and Saras in the field hockey program

7

Average number of defensive takeaways per game by center back Laura Wunderlich **3** I

Total number of varsity goals scored

10

Number of rolls of colored pre-wrap used by the team over the course of the season, to hold back their hair during games 20

Average number of saves per game by goalie Jen Greenfield

36

Length, in inches, of the average stick size for all varsity and JV team members Midfielder Danielle McKenrick prepares to drive the ball up field to a teammate. "With all the passing involved in playing center link, you pretty much need to be in control of the game," says McKenrick. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





While taking a 16-yard hit in a home game verses Courtland, Monica Nolan concentrates on the ball. "Taking a free hit is a good opportunity to switch fields, that is why it is important to make a good strong clear," said Nolan. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

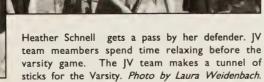


Attempting to make a steal, right link Sarah Carter jabs at the ball to gain possession from her opponent in a home game against Courtland. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Keeping the ball away from her opponents, Megan Borders searches for an open teammate to pass to. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach.*







jv FIELD HOCKEY

Front Row: Sara Fisher, Ashley Gutshaw, Regan Merriam, Samantha Greene, Jamie Culley, Emily Weidenbach. Second Row: Christy Dubay, Sara Rababi, Amanda Davison, Jennifer Adams, Jez Sullenberger, Nikki Hollibaugh. Back Row: Coach Hillan, Lisa Yin, Jessica Sargeant, Lauren Morrison, Allison Grau, Megan Boarders, Vanessa Roycrott, Lindsay Clotz, Coach Carter, Coach Parrish



2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"I'd have to say Rebecca Richards was the person that convinced me to play field hockey. She graduated last year and now attends the Naval Academy. So this year I chose to wear number 13 because it was her number last year, and it brought me good luck," - Danielle McKenrick

varsity FALL CHEERLEADING

Front Row: Alicia Prickett, Melissa Steineger, Jennifer Craig. Second Row: Toni Nickles, Megan Barley. Third Row: Angela Deitz, Caroline Givens, Bridget Benedict Back Row: Coach Wilson, Shannon Voss, Sheri Culpepper, Mica Soto.



in FALL CHEERLEADING

Front Row: Chrisy Schindler. Second Row: Lindsay Raymond, Amanda Rainville, Elise Suich .Third Row: Christina Brown, Alyssa Brown, Brittany Cliff, Crystal Ferrare. Back Row: Coach Wilson, Charlotte Finllay-Nottman, Alyssa Brown, Ginny Brauer









doing a cheer during the fall pep rally. Photos by Lauren Clements.

Striking a pose at a home football game Megan Barley proudly cheers on the Varsity football team. Photo by Colleen Fowler.

Glowing with pride at the fall pep rally, Melissa Steineger escorts the panther out onto the floor. Photo by Erica Thomas.



Balancing carefully, Lindsay Raymond performs a routine with the JV cheerleaders. Photo by Erica Thomas.

Going to cheer in Macy's Thanksgiving Parade, Tara Layman, Sara Newton, Bridget Benedict, and Alicia Prickett wait in Reagan Airport. Photo by Mrs. Newton.

Always There 2 Cheer Us On

STICHED UP: SophomoreSheri Culpepper after an accident in practice. "In practice, Mica [Soto] and I were stunting, and when we went to cradle catch our flyer, we came together and hit heads and the side of my nose was split open. We weren't sure if I needed stitches or not, but to be on the safe side I went to the hospital and ended up with stitches," said Culpepper.

>PIED: All varsity fall cheer-leaders at the first pep rally this year. The pep rally was not only an opportunity for the student body to showcase their support for the football team, but also a chance for the football players to give the cheer-leaders an unpleasant surprise.

Football players were allowed to hit one cheerleader in the face with a pie.

"The pep rally was really fun, except when we got pied in the face by the football players, because it got everywhere. I had to go home and take a shower before I could come back to school for the game," said **Caroline Smith**.

>NEW: The cheerleading coach, Coach Wilson, who took over the coaching duties this year. Last year's coach, Coach Seay, may havehad a different approach than Wilson, but the squad still appreciated her new style. "This year was really different from cheerleading last year. I think a reason for that was, because we got a new coach. Most of us really

got along with her though, so it was still a fun year," said junior Megan Barley.

>In-Attendance: Junior Melissa Steiniger, who never missed a practice during the season and was present for every game.

"I just like to cheer, it's a good way for me to show my school spirit," said Steiniger.

Steiniger first grew interested in cheering before she began high school. "It was always something I always thought I would enjoy. When I was young it was something I always considered doing, and it definitely interested me in middle school," Steiniger added. Steiniger has cheered for the past three years.

2 Good 2 Be 4-gotten

"At the pep rally I was trying to keep the crowd pumped by acting extra happy and proud."

--- Charlotte Finlay-Nottman

"It was usually so cold out when we had games. I just tried to keep up with everyone without freezing to death."

-Lindsay Raymond

Numbers that Count

15

Number of different stretches the varsity cheerleaders did before games to get their muscles ready

20

Total number of football games cheerleaders were on the sidelines for Numbe

Number of coaches, as opposed to 2 from last year, once Coach Wilson took over for Coach Seay and Coach Hulse

8

Number of jumps performed in a usual routine

44

Total number of pom-poms used by the varsity and jv squads combined

66

Total number of hours each cheerleader practiced during the season, not counting game days 6

Number of Varsity cheerleaders who participated in the Macy's Annual Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York

City, joining hundreds of other cheerleaders from around the nation for the event

17

Average number of cheers performed at each game

24 Scores and 1 Year Ago

>Psyched: The team, after getting pep talks from their coaches. Before every game Coach George Leonard would give inspirational quotes for the team to remember. One quote the team remembers fondly is, 'Football is just like horseshoes, ya know?' "Coach [Leonard] is trying to say there is no 'almost' in football, it's either hit or miss, and that's why its like horseshoes," said quarterback Ryan Hall.

>SHORT-CHANGED: The team after coming up just short against King George.

In the homecoming game against King George, the team suffered a disheartening loss to the Foxes. "We didn't start the game off too well, but in the second half we only allowed them 3 points," said quarterback Eric Ludden. The team really came back to give the Foxes a run for their money. "I just wish we had played the whole game like we did in the second half," added Ludden.

>SUPERSTITIOUS: Junior Tex Evans, because he would bring a huge stick known as 'the gun' to every game. Evans, a transfer student from Texas, could only support the team at the beginning of

the season until he was allowed by VHSL to participate. As a good luck charm, Tex would carry the huge stick that he got from football camp that summer. "We call the stick 'the gun' because we used it to shoot down our opponents. The stick was sacred, everyone would touch it before games, and for a little while it brought us good luck," said Evans. After the team lost their first game they threw the stick in the woods. "Once we lost that game, the stick was a piece of trash," said Ryan Hall.



Eric DePollo, Glenn Griggsby and Stephen Morin, set up to block the Chargers. "Everyone on the team really got along, and we all counted on each other. Basically this season is preparing us for next season, we're really going to tear it up, and I can't wait," said Stephen Morin. Photo by Erica Thomas.

varsity FOOTBALL

Front Row: John Ludden, Coach Perry, C.J. Reid, Humyan Chohan, Derek Sears, Jerimiah Toles, Devon Lott, Steven Garland, Vince Young, Carlos Rodriguez, Gabe McClain, Cole Eller, Chris Evans, Jason Doherty, Tyrone Brickhouse, Coach Tim Wright, Shane Ludden. Second Row: Coach Seaman, Tim Jones, Kyle Barnes, Travis Ludden, Nat Jackson, Norman, Norman Brooks, Lawrence Suggs, Ryan Hall, Lee Eustace, Russell Reid, John Broughton, Jarod Borman, Trae Heubi, Martin Rodriguez, Jay Fairchild, Coach Leonard, Coach Ludden, Carol Hettman. Back Row: Coach Clements, Adam Rehberg, Eric Ludden, Daniel Castro, John Brauer, Tom Hetman, Aaron Graham, Raheem White, Daunte Snowden, Robbie Reid, Sylvester Harris, Greg Pavella, Matt Boumgarten, Andre Burnett, Erict Depollo, Stephen Morin.



Numbers that Count 20; 287

Total number of passes intercepted by the Panthers' defense this season

Number of touchdowns scored and tackles made, respectively, by twoway player Stephen Morin

Total number of pass completions and passing yards, respectively, thrown by Ryan Hall in a game against Orange, both school records. Hall replaced injured starter Eric Ludden

50

Distance, in yards, of a field goal kicked by Tyrone Brickhouse in the last practice before the homecoming game as part of a team punt, pass, and kick contest





Lining up for the next play, the defensive line gets ready to stop the Chargers. "Our defense told the offense to keep them close, so we might have a chance to score," said Sears. *Photo by Erica Thomas*.

With pride in there hearts Ryan Hall and Glenn Grigsby looks towards the flag as the national anthem plays. "I feel great pride every time the here that song, it makes me feel good that I'm a American," said quarterback Ryan Hall. Photo by Erica Thomas.



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Front Row: Brent Gates, Nelson Hare, C.J. Reid, Jon Jones, John Leather, Chris Jones, Ronnie Smith, Jason Doherty, Charles Leather, Shawn Covington, Matt Spencer, Frank Jackson, David Jones, Phillip Torese. Second Row: Coach Perry, Kyle Griffin, Matt Green, Terrence Taylor, Tim Jones, Kyle Jones, Kyle Devers, Hunter Pavela, Tad Cannon, Travis Ludden, Lewis Diggins, Derron Howard, David Jones, Charles Sneed, Teren Cooley, Jason Brown, Coach Tim Wright. Back Row: Micheal Zephley, Steven Garland, Kyle Barnes, Darrell Brown, Eric Jackson, Audrey Perkins, Brandon Harper, Nich Shoop, Justin McBroom, Russell Reid, Robert Gill, Hunter Reins, Justin Love, C.Jc. Taylor, Chad Priola, Alex Rodriguez





The team takes their positions. Mr. Clements aids injured receiver Nat Jackson. Demonstrating proper form, Jay Fairchild, and Cole Eller demonstrate football technique. *Photos by Erica Thomas.*

VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Front Row: Debbie Moore, Evelyn Mendoza, Danielle Allen, Ashley Greer, Tasia Kizer, Leanne Ducote. Back Row: Coach Angela Courtney, Mike Eltringham, Lazhai Stewart, Nicole Dowell, Jennifer Mitchell, Aries Wilson, Christine Tharp, Angel Santiago, Coach Wayne Via

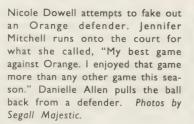


IN GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Front Row: Manager LeAnne Ducote, Denina KirkPatrick, Jenny Stecher, Lisa Ducote, Sandice Palmer, Mercedes Fowler, Emily Andrews. Back Row: Coach Bennett, Mindy Merriam, Fatima Davis, Jeanelle Allmond, Shira Key, Alison Raines, Shirelle Jacobs













Looking for a shot, Aries Wilson tries to maneuver her way around an opponent. Wilson was one of three senior transfers. Photo by Segall Majestic.

Mindy Merriman tries to decide whether to shoot, pass, or dribble. Merriman was a key component of the JV squad. Photo by Segall Majestic.





Lazhai Stewart goes up for a

Christine Tharp prepares for

a pregame shootaround. The players would stretch in the auxiliary gym, then finish their warm-ups on the court. Photos by Segall Majestic.

against

lay-up

Stewart.

Majestic.

Orange.

Photos by Segall

Time 4 The Game

> O VERWHELMED:. Debbie Moore, after she won the game for her team against Orange. "There was seventeen seconds left in the game, and I hit the game winner, a three point shot against Orange. I was very overwhelmed, the whole team was screaming at me, including the coach. At the same time I was happy."

>CRASHED: Evelyn Mendoza, after a collision with a teammate. Mendoza and Lazhai Stewart collided during a drill one day during practice. "Lazhai was going for a lay-up and I went to block her and she just came crashing on top of me. I ended up with a concussion that

day." Mendoza was forced to leave the game the next day against Lafayette due to symptoms from the concussion.

>TENACIOUS: Christine Tharp. The senior co-captain. due to her persistent attitude. "I treat every game like it's my last. That way when I play my last game, I'll be prepared," said Tharp. Tharp was the team's leader on and off the court. She earned the respect of her teammates with a relentless pursuit of perfection. "I would say that I try to work as hard as I can," said Tharp. "To stay ahead of the competition, the only thing you can do is out-work and out-hustle them. It doesn't matter how much ability you have, if you want it more, you're going to get it."

>DISSAPOINTED: Sophomore JV player Jeanelle Almond, after losing against a undermanned team. "Our hardest loss was against Caroline. They only had six players on their team. They were really fast, and that was what really got us. By the third quarter we were all tired."

>TIGHT: The JV team, in a close contest that capped off the season. The JV team was able to win a hard fought game on Senior Night. "I think that our best win was against Chancellor, our very last game. It was very close game untill the very end. We pulled ahead by two points, and won the game," said leanelle Almond.

2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"Christine Tharp and I would always braid our hair before games. It was something that we started doing for good luck."-- Jennifer Mitchell "The best thing about basketball is the bond between the other girls. It is going to last throughout high school." -- Shirelle Jacobs.

Numbers that Count

19

Number of foul shots made by junior Debbie Moore during the season

18

Number of three point shots made during the season by Christine Tharp the team's Most Valuable Player 1

Number of points the varsity team held Caroline to in the 3rd Quarter of a Jamestown Tournament game

3

Number of senior transfers: Aries Wilson, Nicole Dowell, and Evelyn Mendoza. 35

Total number of three point shots made by the team

57

Number of points the varsity team scored in their first meeting vs. Lafayette, the team's highest point total in a game all season. 13

Number of steals by Ashley Greer, the team's Defensive Player of the Year

6

Number of varsity girl's basketball players who missed games due to injuries during the season.

Displaying a look of intensity, Alan Cooke's facial expression show the true colors of the sport while he gets ready for a run. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

Before their meet at Christopher Newport, Mathew Phleglar, Jad Rutherford, Richie Rios, and Todd Scheff talk about the match. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.







Giving support to the boys' team, Mr. King provides some last minute words of advice in a pep talk before the big race.. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Finding a spot by a nearby tree, Mike Jurkow stretches out his muscles to keep his legs from getting tight during the 3.1 mile run. Photo by Tonia Rutherford.





Catching up from behind, Adam Conner paces himself in order to finish a race at Loriella Park. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Stacy Potter has a little fun while trying to stay focused on the practice. Potter was consistently one of the team's best runners. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Heading 4 The Finish Line

>DISTRAUGHT: Sophomore Stacy Potter, when she was one second away from first place at regionals. "I was really, really mad about getting a second away from first, but that made me want to beat [the girl] even more at States and I did. I was really happy after I beat her, and surprised that I did as well as I did. I am so glad [cross country] is done with though because it just gets boring. Its nice to have a change," said Potter. Potter was one of the team's most consistent runners. Potter also got honorable mention in the Free-

Lance-Star.

>PRANKED: Adam Conner, after his car was TP'ed by his team mates over the summer. "We just did it for the fun of it. The coach laughed at Adam and just told us to clean it up," said Rob Richards. "I didn't do anything to them because I didn't want to get yelled at by the coach. I felt bad when they did it," said Conner.

>DISAPPOINTED: Sophomore Amy Franklin, after she found out she didn't qualify for th state competition. "I was really upset at regionals. I was seven places away from advancing to states and that mad me upset because I really wanted to go. I actually did better at districts than at regionals mentally and physically," said Franklin.

>PHENOMENAL: Sophomore Alan Cooke's best time of 19 minutes and 17 seconds achieved at the William and Mary Invitational "Placing 65th may sound like I did bad, but if you must know, I had to face 230 [other runners]. I dropped at least a minute from last year just by training over the summer. For those thinking cross country is just senseless running and not even a sport, let's see you do it," Cooke said.

CROSS COUNTRY

Front Row: Matt Phlegar, Kevin Snchable, Amy Franklin, Ryan Sharky, Remy Merriam, Nick Knepp, Todd Scheff. Second Row: James Pavella, Kara Heubi, Tonia Rutherford, Joe Scelzo, Richard Rios, Mike McClain, Kathy Ovard, Sean Fulcomer. Back Row: Coach Mrs. McDonald, Jad Rutherford, Sam Payne, Allen Cook, Rob Richards, Mike Jurkow, Adam Connor, Matt Herbek, Scott Henderson, Matty Van Allen, Coach Bob McDonald





Leaping through the air, Amy Franklin warms up before a race at Loriella Park. Photo by Laura Weidenhach.

Numbers that Count

25, I

52

team member

spent running

practice during

the season

Average number of minutes each during any given

Respectively, the lowest point total of the season in a meet for the boys team, and the place that the girl's team finished in at the District Meet

Number of shoes Matty Van Allen ran part of a race with once he lost the other one somewhere in the woods during a meet

18:21

Fastest time, in minutes and seconds, that a Massaponax runner completed the 3.1 mile Cross Country race in, a distinction which belonged to junoir Richie Rios

A Perfect 10.0

>LINKED: The team members, using their smallest digits. Before every meet the members of the gymnastics team would put their pinky fingers together and talk about their goals for the day. While in their huddle they did cheers to get pumped up for the meet.. "It helped us relieve our nerves, and concentrate on the meet," said freshman Kelly Cobb.

>SLEEPY: The team, due to an unexpected cancellation. After the Turner Ashby meet was cancelled due to snow, the gymnas-

tics team decided to do a little bonding at a team sleepover at Coach Kohl's house. They spent their night talking, eating pizza, and making ribbons to wear in their hair the following meet. "This was a really good opportunity for everyone to get to know each other better," said sophomore Ashley Sexton.

>SHORT-HANDED: The team's roster, depleted due to injuries Competing in the Harrisonburg meet short five gymnasts due to injuries made it very difficult. While it was no easy task, the gymnasts fought hard for a fourth place finish out of eight teams, which was impressive given their lack of

depth. "We all knew we had to the best we could individually, since we were missing so many people," said junior Lindsey Carr.

>Psyched: The attitude of the team after knocking off a rival. "A big goal for us has always been to beat Courtland because they are really good," said freshman Candice Varnell. In the second meet of the season, the gymnasts were given that chance and took advantage of it. "It was really surprising that we won, it made us first in the district," said junior Melissa Steiniger.

Focused. Keeping her concentration, Kelly Cobb concentrates on her next move. "Keeping focus is really important in gymnastics, if you take your mind off of what you are doing for even a second, it can mess up your whole routine," said Cobb. Photo by Segall Majestic.





Rolling Around. On a floor routine, Emily Weidenbach prepares to do a tumbling pass. "Floor was fun because you get to put all your dancing and energy into it, the best part about it is putting your routine together and completing it in a meet for the first time," said Weidenbach. Photo by Segall Majestic.

5

Number of first place finishes for the team. This was good for first place in the district 9.6

Highest score achieved on the balance beam, by senior Kerri White, a team record 6

Number of gymnasts who returnedfrom last year's team. Angie Deitz, Kerri White, Lindsay Carr, Keirsten Sayles, Heather Ellmer, and Shannon Voss all came back for another season 2

Place that freshman Kelly Cobb acheived in the beam at the Harrisonburg meet. Cobb had a score of 8.5



All Rise. Honoring the flag, the gymnastics team lines up to sing the National Anthem. "It was funny when we did the National Anthem because Shannon Voss always sang along for good luck," said junior Angie Deitz. One of Deitz's best meets was at Harrisonburg. "I had a personal best on the floor," said Deitz. Photo by Segall Majestic.



Moving Up. Jumping from low bar to high bar at the Courtland Invitational, captain Kerri White prepares to make a dismount. "I tied my personal best score [this meet] of a 9.6 on beam and I threw a back tuck which I stuck — I never even practiced it," said White. Photo by Segall Majestic.



Holding Up. Flipping around the high bar, senior Shannon Voss holds on tight to finish her routine. "I like learning new tricks on bars, but my favorite event is still floor because I love the music," said Voss. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.

Keep It Even. Holding her balance on the beam at the first meet against Spotsylvania, freshman Ashley Davenport concentrates on her next move. "This was my first high school meet, so it was really scary, but once my first routine was over, I felt a lot more relaxed," said Davenport. Photo by Segall Majestic.



Heads In. The team huddles together for a phot0.

Lindsay Carr gives it her all she has in a home meet against Spotsy. Junior Keirsten Sayles poses for the judges. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.

GYMNASTICS

Front Row: Kerri White . Second Row: Kelly Cobb, Emily Weidenbach, Melissa Steiniger, Susanna Neilsen. Third Row: Candice Varnell, Ashley Sexton, Lindsay Carr, Kristy Schindler, Ashley Davenport. Back Row: Amy Caywood, Alice Barnes, Angie Deitz, Shannon Voss, Crystal Crawford, Keirsten Sayles, Heather Ellmer, Coach McDaniel, Elizabeth Crawford.



Instructing. Coach Stebar uses a visual demonstration during a timeout to show the JV team the correct way to block. *Photo by Gracie Hart.*

Stretching. Warming up her legs, senior Amanda Antosh loosens up while the JV players finish their game. *Photo by Mary Benton*.



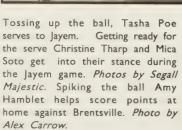


varsity and jv VOLLEYBALL

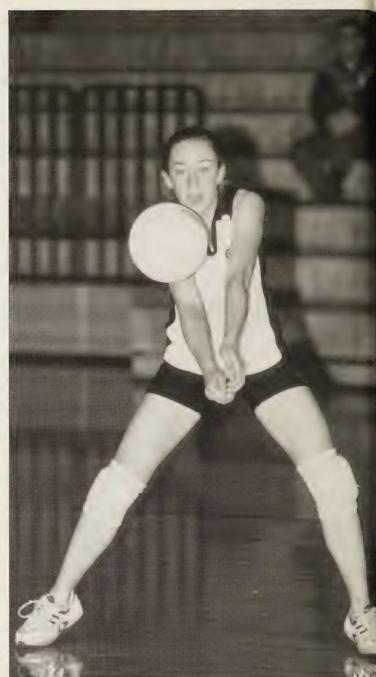
Front Row: Michelle Leslie, Amanda Antosh, Mindy Benedict Second Row: Remy Merriam, Nikki Ferren, Jez Sullenberger, Tonya Rutherford, Krystal Jackson, Dianne Tharp, Ashley Flippo. Back Row: Mr. Stebar, Lisa Yin, Jose Perez, Valerie Smith, Amy Hamblet, Christine Tharp, Stacey Potter, Natasha Poe, Mr. Mann.













Bumping. Tonia Rutherford gets extra practice in before playing Jayem. "You really have to concentrate on where you are directing the ball when you bump it," said Rutherford. Photo by Segall Majestic.

Sky High. Stacey Potter jumps up to spike the ball over the net against Jayem. "One of my favorite aspects of volley-ball is when I get to spike it over the net," said Potter. Photo by Segall Majestic.



Putting the smack down. Using both power and grace, Christine Tharp adds another point on the board by spiking the ball against Jayem. Photos by Segall Majestic.

Taking hits. During warm ups, Amy Hamblet and Remy Merriam bump balls hit to them. Photo by Alex Carrow.

Reaching 4 The Net

>HUNGRY: Tasha Poe, sophomore who decided on a healthy pregame snack. "I ate bananas before every game, said Poe. Although Poe was not joined by her teammates in the ritual, she thought it could bring her good fortune. "I think it is good luck, but most of the time it's just because I'm hungry,"said Poe.

>DAZED: The JV team's game against. Caroline the girls tried to use a new rotation they had never practiced before. "Since we had never used the rotation we didn't know what was going on," said Nikki Ferren, "but we still played ok." The next two games they went back to their normal ro-

-tation and won. "Everyone played hard. It was a good game," said Ferren.

PCLOSE: The JV team's game against Caroline at home. In the first game against Caroline the score was extremely close. Both teams were tied at 14 for an extended period of time, until finally the Panthers scored and won. In the second game the Panthers enjoyed the lead for the entire game. "The JV team played really well," said Crystal Jackson, "It was always an enjoyment to watch them play."

>RECORD-SETTER: Senior Christine Tharp. Tharp set a school record for kills in a season by a Panther player with 88. Tharp also more than doubled

the previous school record. "I'm not worried about records, but it's a good thing to shoot for," said Tharp. "I wish the season could have ended up better, but it was nice to establish a record." Along with setting a school record for kills, Tharp was tied for the Battlefield District lead, even after playing five fewer games than the person with whom she was tied.

>NERVOUS: Junior Tonia Rutherford, before each game. Rutherford would attempt to calm herself before a match. "I would always become nervous in anticipation, I would just try to relax and have fun," said Rutherford.

2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"Volleyball is a lot of fun for me because I get a chance to get my anger out on the ball and I end up doing well during the games"---Mindi Benedict "I play volleyball because it's a lot of fun for me. The coaches and the teammates all get along and that really helps make the season enjoyable."---Amanda Antosh

2

Number of games out of 3 a AA team must win in order to win the entire match. AAA matches are best 3 out of 5

6'4"

Distance, in feet and inches from the ground to the top of the net ı

Number of games the JV won against Chancellor this season, the only game either team won against the Chargers

6

Number of players allowed on the floor at one time

2

Number of times the varsity team defeated Caroline this season

88

Number of kills by senior captain Christine Tharp, which not only tied her for the district lead, but also set a school record 4

Number of seniors on the team: Val Smith, Amanda Antosh, Mica Soto,and Christine Tharp

100

Percentage of the increase of Tharp's record, doubling the previous record of 44 kills

Go For It. Racing for the finish, junior Whitney Clark swims in the 200m Individual Medley. The 'IM', as the swimmers call it, was made up of 4 different strokes; 50m butterfly, 50m back stroke, 50m breast stroke, and 50m freestyle. Photo by Segall Majestic.

Pride. Showing his Panther spirit, senior Aaron Stone cheers on his friends competing at the district swim meet. "My friends love watching me make a fool of myself at their meets, and I really don't mind," said Stone. Photo by Segal Majestic.



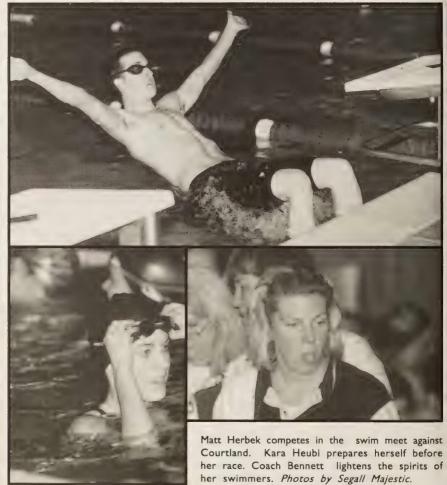




Clowning Around. Sharing a laugh, Monica Nolan gets congratulations from Coach Bennet on a job well done. *Photo by Alex Carrow.*

Concentration. Knowing the importance of a good start can be vital to the success of a swimmer. Junior Matt Herbek attempts to achieve perfect off the diving board. *Photo by Alex Carrow.*





Determined. Battling to the finish in with the backstroke. Scott Nagle races to beat the Cougars. Photo by Segall Majestic.

High Fivin'. After a close

sophomore

fellow teammate Jono Morrow for his performance in

the event. Photo by Segall

Henderson

Majestic.

Scott

congratulates

Swimming 2 Stay Afloat

>MEMORABLE: The first evening after the state swimming competition. The team had to go to K-Mart to get a gift bag for Mr. Rodkey's present, and thought they would have a little fun while there. "Coach Bennett dared us to go up to one of the sale's people and ask them to pose in a picture with us," said junior Whitney Clark. She told us to tell the man that we were trying to capture every moment of states, and we had to get a picture of the K-mart guy. All the teammates there were too shy to go up and ask, until brave freshman Kara Heubi decided to

try her luck. "She [Heubi] went right up and asked him to pose in the picture, and he said yes! It was so hilarious," added Clark.

>REGULARS: The swim team at Damon's after every meet. "It was kind of a tradition for us to go to Damon's after every meet and just pig-out," said Chip Clark. Damon's is the swim team's sponsor, and gives a 20% discount to the swimmers when they come in to eat. "I love going to Damon's after meets, I always get the chicken fingers," added Molly

>SPIRITED: Aaron Stone and lordan Blumling. The two seniors attended a January 12th meet against Spotsylvania. While there was nothing unusual about this, the attire of Blumling and Stone was what drew attention. Both were dressed in wet suits, flippers, and camouflage speedos. "The swimming team thought it was cool because they like to see other students come out and support them," said Stone. The Panther swimmers were not the only ones laughing, however. "The other teams waiting to swim were all there laughing and we just had a good time," added Stone. "We always do stuff that publicly humiliates us, just for fun."

SWIMMING

First Row: Whitney Clark, Monica Nolan, Molly Cox, Christina Adams, Emily Andrews, Kristen Smith, Kasey Crowder, Second Row: Jennifer Adams, Lindsey Raymond, Scott Nagle, Tanner Crowder, Roman Marciniak, Matt Green, Amber Wilkenson, Kate Thedford, Back Row: Coach Bennett, Lauren Morrison, Brandi Hall, Tim McDermont, Scott Henderson, Jonathan Morrow, Chip Clark, Jason Dempsey, Allison Raines, Kara Heubi, Coach Sullivan





Chit-Chat. Taking a break in between events, freshman Emily Andrews shows Molly Cox her newly acquired Driver's Permit. Photo by Segall Majestic.

Numbers that Count

Number Dale Parker is ranked in the state for the breast stroke.

Number of senior swimmers on girls' team, which consists of 5 juniors, 4 sophomores, and 5 freshman

Place, in the state, of junior swimmer Brandy Hall in the 50M freestyle, who missed qualifying for the state tournament in the event by two positions

Minimum number of breaths Dale Parker took to swim the 50M breast stroke against James Monroe. Parker also performed this feat at several other meets to help better his time in the event

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Ready 2 Rumble

>ROOKIE: Junior Aaron Graham in his first year of wrestling. "I wrestle because it is a great way to stay in shape," said Graham. "It's pretty fun when you have the other person on his back and he starts screaming. I like the fact that wrestling is a one on one sport and that each person has their own record as well as the team record. After I was done with football, I was looking for another challenge, and wrestling is just as hard, it's just as tough."

>MISSING IN ACTION: Several members of the wrestling team this year. Senior Eric

DePollo hurt his knee in the first match and that took him out for the rest of the season.

Junior **Rob Richards** broke his collarbone while wrestling one of the coaches during practice. Richards missed six weeks.

Junior **Nick Knepp** had his lip ripped by a St. Steven's wrestler and had to get three stitches as well as being forced to wear a mask while he wrestled until the stitches healed.

Freshman Nick Tibbs sprained his elbow while wrestling an Osbourne competitor. "I was out for a week and a half," said Tibbs. "The guy slammed me on the ground and I landed on my

elbow."

>CLEARED: The state of mind the wrestlers had to be in when they compete. "Before we go to a match we have to have a very clear head," said sophomore Greg Tarpley, "We are not allowed to listen to music, play electronic games, or talk to the managers because the coaches feel that it will help us concentrate on the upcoming match. That is one of the hardest things about wrestling, the mental state you have to be in. You have to be prepared to win or lose."

Ready to pounce. Focusing on his King George opponent, Freshman Justin Smith prepares to make a take down. This was Smith's first year as a wrestler and he is the smallest one on the team. Photo by Segall Majestic.

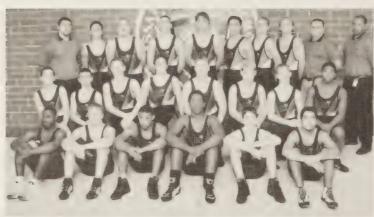




Number one. Junior Rob Richards raises his arm signifying his victory over the 189 lb. wrestler from King George. "It felt good to come back from an injury and win my match," said Richards. Photo by Segall Majestic.

varsity WRESTLING

Front Row: Michael Parham, Brian Snodgrass, Greg Tarpley, Aaron Graham, Alex Madgar, Humayan Chohan. Second Row: Kyle Degraff, Nick Knepp, Rodney Merrit, RJ Skinner, Kevin Kanary, John Doggit, Brent McGhee, Agee Showers. Back Row: Coach Broughton, Nick Tibbs, Norman Brooks, Rob Richards, Eric Depollo, John Broughton, Eric Bliss, Jimmy Crabtree, Coach O'Connor, Coach Jackson





In focus. Consentrating on making the first move, senior Agee Showers focuses in on his 140 weight class opponent fron King George. *Photo by Segall Majestic.*

Numbers that Count

275

Maximum weight class a wrestler can compete in

3

Number of captains on the wrestling team who suffered from injuries this season.

19.5

Diameter, in feet, of the wrestling ring on the mat in which the wrestlers compete Number of matches won this season by junior Rob Richards, who missed six weeks due to a collarbone injury sustained in practice

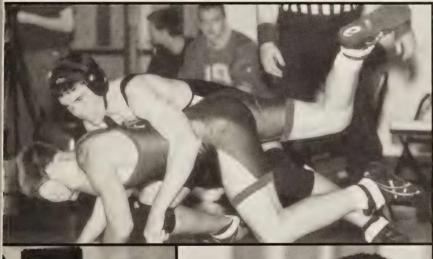
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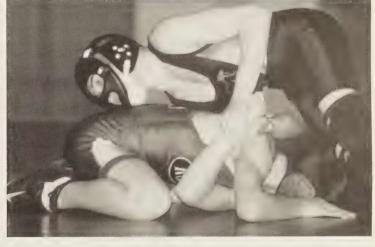


Hands Up. As the referee raises his hand in triumph, Senior Agee Showers receives yet another victory. Showers' overall win lose record this season was 10-6. "I've been wrestling for five years," said Showes, "I like the physical contact and the aggressiveness of the sport." Photo by Segall Majestic.

Smooth Move. Attempting to turn his own body for a takedown, junior Eric Bliss works for a point advantage. The match was so close, that they had to go into overtime. Unfortunately, despite Bliss' intensity, his opponent got a takedown and won the match. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.











Junior Rob Richards takes down his competitor. Greg Tarpley and Aaron Graham watch their teammates wrestle. Senior John Broughton takes a water break. *Photos by Segall Majestic.*



The mask. Junior Nick Knepp battles his opponent from King George. Knepp had to wear a rubber mask to protect his lip after he got stitches due to an injury from a previous match. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.

Pep talk. After a tough defeat, Coach O'Connor encourages Freshman Justin Smith for his next match. O'Connor gave everyone a pep talk after losing a match. During practices, they had to strive to win their next match. Photo by Segall Majestic.

varsity BOYS' BASKETBALL

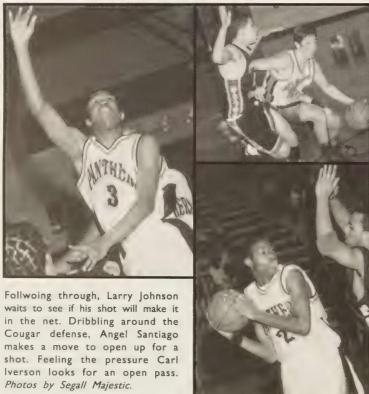
Front Row: Vincent Harden, Carl Iverson, Mike Hudson, Tim Allmond, Kenny Hazzard, Reed Fairchild Back Row: Coach Clements, Matt Kreitz, Jordan Hathcock, Mike Wright, Mike Jurkow, Marcus Savoy, Brandon Carter, Coach Hence.



IV BOYS" BASKETBALL

Front Row: Melvin Tate, Angel Santiago, Michael Burrell, Bobby Quesenbery, Nat Jackson, Justin Smith Back Row: Coach Wayne Via, Greg Eltringham, BJ Brooks, Sanders Glenn, Matt Wright, Mike Jennings, Tyler Hathcock









Strong. Eyeing the basket, Jordan Hathcock drives by a Courtland defender on his way to the hoop. Photo by Segall Majestic.

Tough. With his adrenaline pumping Mike Burrell drives hard to the hoop for a lay-up against Courtland. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.





Going up for a three-pointer. Tim Allmond shoots over the Courtland defender. *Photos by Segall Majestic*.

Calling the shots. Shouting out instructions, Coach Hence points out to his defense who they need to guard. Photos by Segall Majestic.

Taking It 2 The Hole

>REVERSED: Kenny Hazzard's jersey number. Hazzard had worn #13 on his uniform each season until he got to high school. When Hazzard started playing for the school, his number was taken by Brian Anderson, who graduated after last season. Hazzard decided to wear #3 linstead. "I wore it because it's the reverse of my usual number, and because it was the closest I could find." said Hazzard. "[NBA player] Reggie Miller also wears #31, and he's someone I respect as a basketball player." Once Anderson graduated, however, Hazzard took #13 instead of staying with #31. "It had brought me so much luck, even though I wore 31 when I played JV and freshmen, I had to go back to my old number," said Hazzard.

>HONORED: Junior Mike Jurkow, upon being inducted to the National Honor Society. lurkow could not attend the induction ceremony due to a first round district playoff game against James Monroe. "As much as I wanted to play, it was a little tough to not go to the induction," said Jurkow. "My parents were proud of me just for getting in, and to be there would have been nice. " Jurkow played his best games of the season, scoring eight points in the final quarter to ensure a 67-58 for the Panther win.

>MIXED UP: JV player Greg Eltringham's uniform. As Eltringham and IV teammate Justin Smith were dressing for an away game against Courtland. Smith inadvertantly put on Eltringham's #15 jersey instead of his own. "I wasn't looking, so I just picked up Greg's jersey and put it on, thinking it was mine," said Smith. "I put on the first jersey I saw, and it felt a little small," said Eltringham. "I looked down at the number and saw that it was Justin's." Eltringham and Smith quickly spotted the mistake and before stepping on the court, changed the jerseys.

2 Good 2 Be 4-gotten

"This season was as good as we expected, but we should have come up with a little more and we should have played a little harder so that we could have reached all of our goals." -Reed Fairchild

"This was the best year of basketball in our school histroy. I've enjoyed playing for Massaponax and enjoyed helping to start a basketball dynasty here."---Tim Allmond

Lambers that Count

1014

Total number of points scored by the varisty team this season.

51

Largest margin of victory, a school record, a 98-47 pounding of James Monroe. 10

Number of points the varsity scored each quarter in a tough 43-40 home loss against Caroline.

94

Number of quarters played, including I overtime, by the varsity team 35

Total number of three point shots made by the team

5

Number of dunks by Tim Allmond in the regular season finale against Chancellor, including an alleyoop off the back board from Jordan Hathcock. 332

Number of foul shouts taken by the varsity team this season.

177

Number of foul shots made by the varsity team this season.

Cheering 4 Us

>UNITY: The trait that the squad showed before a game. "Before every game we all get together in a group for a big group hug. The hug builds up our confidence to prepare ourselves for a win or loss, no matter what happens we are in this together," said sophomore Veronica Lansden.

>INEXPERIENCED: The JV cheerleaders. Whether they were freshmen or first time sophomores, the JV cheerleaders were all new to cheering. "Our whole JV squad were first timers. I decided to cheer because it seemed fun

and all my friends were trying out. Seeing my older sister cheer the year before I thought I would like to. My favorite part about cheering is the stunts you are either a base or a flyer. I am a base, not everyone can be flyers someone has to stay grounded to make sure there is a safe landing," said sophomore Kara Nelson.

>HIT: Rachel Stapp, in an incident during a game against Caroline. Stapp was hit by a stray ball going out of bounds. In an effort to save the ball, a Caroline player collided with Stapp, giving her minor injuries. "The guy that ran into me gave me a big bruise on my shin that hurt so bad, I was

kind of mad about it but I got over it he said he was sorry," said Rachel Stapp.

>BUDDIES: Each cheer-leader, with one member of the basketball team. Each cheer-leader picked a "buddy." During the season the cheer-leader would buy small items for him. "For the last game I made my buddy [Nat Jackson] a cake. It took me two hours and I burnt the top of it and burnt my finger, it looked good," said sophomore Candice Paige.



Tara Brown takes advantage of an opportunity to entertain the crowd. Photo by Segall Majestic.

varsity WINTER CHEERLEADING

Front Row: Christine Gemshein, Lindsay Fuoco, Jenny Neilson. Second Row: Rachel Stapp, Katie Nissley, Tara Layman, Jessica Schindler. Back Row: Alicia Ross, Laura Nelson, Nakole Charles, Sara Newton, Veronica Lansden.



Numbers that Count

7

Average amount, in dollars spent by each cheerleader on their "buddy" during basketball season 2

Number of cheerleaders who must sit out part of a game, because only 10 are allowed on the court at one time

2

Number of games that varsity cheerleaders cheered for during the winter

0

Number of senior winter cheerleaders

2

Average number of hours spent by each team member preparing before a game, which included stretching and going over routines





Honor. While listening to David Watson and Toya Baker sing the national anthem, Laura Nelson, Tara Layman, Katie Nissley, and Christine Gemshein pledge in honor of their flag. Photo by Segall Majestic.

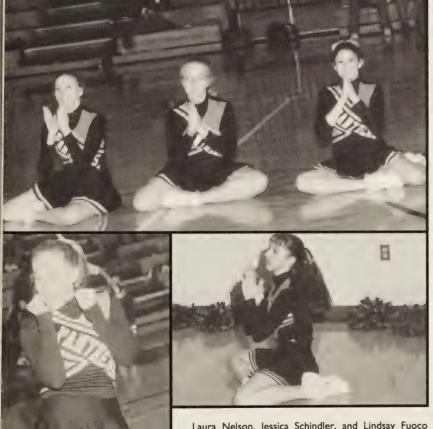
We're #1 At the end of the quarter, Veronica Lansden, Alicia Ross, Sara Newton, Tara Layman, Nakole Charles, and Rachel Stapp perform the M-H-S cheer. Photo by Segall Majestic.



in WINTER CHEERLEADING

Front Row: Amy Williams, Tara Brown, Brittany Knight, Kara Nelson. **Second Row**: Jessica Schindler, Lindsay Lascara, Rebecca Armstrong, Laura Mallet. **Back Row**: Coach Wilson, Laurel Torkelson, Megan Borders, Candice Paige, Melanie Williams.





Laura Nelson, Jessica Schindler, and Lindsay Fuoco smile at the crowd. Katie Nissley performs a game favorite. Rebecca Armstrong performs with the JV cheerleaders. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.

Racing 4 The Finish Line

>STEADFAST: Sophomore Reagan Merriam's dedication to running. Merriam struggled last season, but was determined to improve this year. "The goals I set this year weren't hard to beat, because last year's season pushed me into getting better times," said Merriam. Driving Merriam was the mere thought of competing. "What I feel as I run through the finish line achieving a higher standing over the competition as they eat my dust, that is what indoor track is all

about," said Merriam. Despite her steady work ethic, Merriam was not just about athletics. "Sure, it gets tiring aftera meet, but I won't let it affect my grades. There's always time for school." >LACKING: The team, going into a January 12th meet against James Monroe. Only five people competed in the meet. Richie Rios, Franklin, Reagan Amy Merriam, Kevin Schnabel, and Matt Phleglar were the five runners who represented the school. The team would end up losing, but the entire team did not go home disap-pointed. Sophomore Reagan Merriam participated in the two mile run and

missed her record by two seconds. "For some, this was our first meet, and we didn't do to well, but we think we improved throughout the season," said Matty Van Allen.

>OVERWHELMED: The team, after a February 7th meet against both Spotsylvania and Caroline. The confusion surrounding the schedule was too much for the team to defeat, as they finished third. "We tried our best overall, and we worked together, that's our best achievement," said Laura Barley.

Leading the pack. Keeping his pace ahead of a Spotsylvania runner, Ryan Sharkey pushes for the finish line. Sharkey's race was the 4X200, which he finished in 5th place. Photo by Segall Majestic.





Friendly Rivals. Inching his way in front of teammate Chris White, Kevin Schnabel pushes ahead, trying not to lose his place in the event. Schnabel ended up finishing ahead of White in the two mile run. Photo by Segall Majestic.

INDOOR TRACK

First Row: Matt Phlegar, Kevin Schnabel, Glenn Skinner, Chris White. Second Row: Emily Wassink, Vanessa Roycroft, Ashley O'Neal, Tara Condie, Reagan Merriam, Jeri Nichols, Jennifer Alexander. Back Row: Coach Farrel, Joseph Scelzo, Alan Cooke, Todd Pickering, Sam Payne, Jeremy Hayes, Matty Van Allen, Ryan Sharkey.





Struggling to success. Mike Ezeflei sees his way along the home stretch as he finishes the race. Ezeflei ran the 4X200 during the season. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.

Numbers that Count

5

Number of team members that competed in a January 12th meet against James Monroe 5:58

Amount of time, in minutes and seconds, it took sophomore Amy Franklin to run the 1600M 3

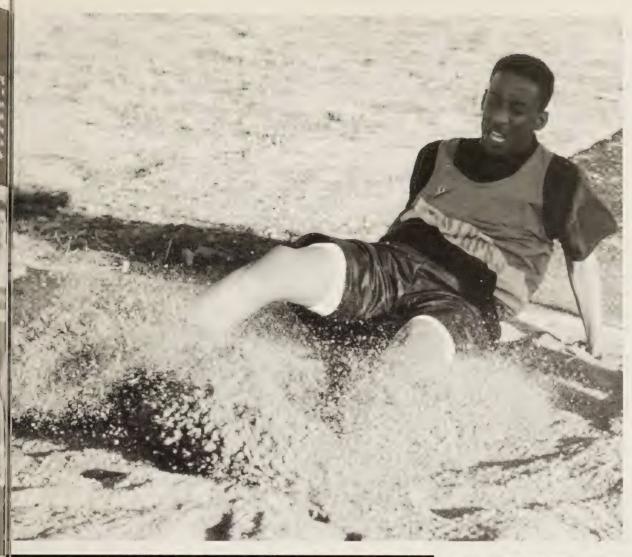
Number of meetscancelled this season due to inclement weather

45

Average number of minutes spent running at practice

1:20

Amount of time, in minutes and seconds, that it took senior Evelyn Mendoza to run the 500M



Down to Earth. Sinking in the sand Demetrius Moore adds on the distance and survives the long jump. Photo by Segall Majestic.

Scared of Heights. Flying high in the sky, Adam Conner free-falls, sailing over the bar. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.





pushes through a crowd, trying to gain a better

position. Photo by Segall Majestic.





Coming around a turn, Chad Lewis and Chris White struggle against each other and with runners from Spotsylvania and Chancellor. *Photo by Segall Majestic*.

In a meet against Spotsylvania and Chancellor, junior Richie Rios takes high strides with his legs to gain an edge. Rios also competed in cross country in the fall and track during the spring. Photo by Segall Majestic.

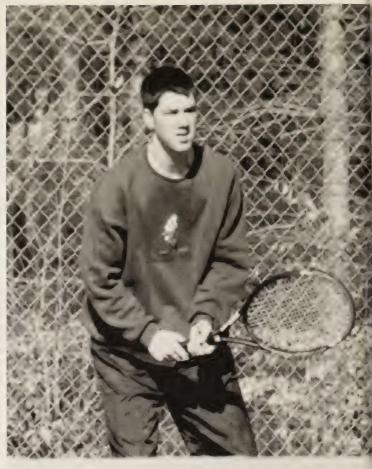
Getting ready for one of the first practices of the year, junior Reshma Patel stretches her quadriceps as part of her warm-up routine. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Pushing her knees down the ground with her elbows, Remy Merriam stretches her groin muscles before practice. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.













Waiting for the serve to come, Ryan Rhea gets in his stance to return the ball. Rhea tried out for the team for the first time this year and made it. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Returning a serve from his coach, Mr. Shinberger, Max Sukalo works on his forehand at an early season practice. Sukalo was trying to gain the number one rank on the boys' tennis team since last year's top two players graduated and transferred, respectively. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





Pulling her arm as far over her head as it will stretch, Allison Davies loosens up her arms and back while she waits for practice to get under way. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Waiting for the first practice of the season to begin, Kelly Schnabel strectches her armson the sidelines. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Working Hard 2 Be the Best

>CAUTIOUS: Members of the football team who participate in spring weightlifting. While the weight room is an essential component of football, one disadvantage is its dangerous nature. Using weights improperly can lead to serious injury. "All the coaches warned us about what can happen if you aren't careful," said junior Ryan Hall. "people have had serious accidents and died, so you have to make sure you have a spotter." Hall added that one story told to him by Coach Ludden had a particularly strong impact: one player at a Virginia high school was lifting weights with -out

player lost control of the bar, and it slipped, hitting him in the mouth and damaging the player's teeth. "There are things that make you think twice before you clown around, and potential injury is definitely one of them," said junior **Tex Evans**, adding, "I don't think I'd ever lift weights by myself, it's taking a stupid risk and your odds of getting hurt increase."

>DEVOTED: Junior Zac Shaw, to the sport of soccer. Shaw, who played forthe varsity team in his sophomore year and on the JV team his freshmen year, started his own rigorous off season training plan. "In addition to conditioning with the rest of the team, I'd spend a lot of time running and

and getting in better shape," said Shaw. Shaw's program consisted of running, weightlifting, and other exercises geared towards improving agility . "I would run four days a week, I'd say I ran a half a mile to a mile each day," said Shaw. "Then I would go to The Gym a few times a week and lift weights. I would alternate each time I went between upper body and lower body exercises." Once practices began for the 2001 season. Shaw could already feel the improvement. "I really wanted to become stronger and quicker, and by working out I really felt a lot better about my game," Shaw added.

- 2 Good 2 Be 4gotten

"Running in the winter gets you in great shape for baseball. The conditions are cold and rough, so by the time the season starts, it's easy to play in warm weather." --- Jon Gardner

"We would run around the school for about an hour each day, and then we did sprints after that. It really helped us get in good soccer condition and helped build up our endurance." -- Kevin Schnabel

25

Average number of minutes spent running by the baseball team during preseason conditioning sessions

7

Combined number of goalkeepers that tried out for both the boy's JV team and the varsity team

3

Number of goalkeepers on the boys' varsity soccer team: Matt Gillespie, Jonathan Morrow, and Zach Mote

22

Number of jerseys for field players on the boys' varsity soccer team, 2 less than the number of field players 144

Total number of tennis balls used by the boys and girls' tennis teams during practice

3

Combined number of seniors who are members of the baseball team and softball team. They have I and 2 seniors, respectively

6

Number of field events in a track and field meet: shot put, discus, high jump, long jump, triple jump, and pole vault

3

Number of freshman on girls' varsity soccer team; Emily Andrews, Lisa Ducote, and Meghan Gallagher



Twenty Four

Planting pansies for the winter in the flower bed in front of the school, Marie Perry, Amanda Bingaman, and Cindy Dodd participate in a Future Farmers of America activity. The girls were just three of twenty four members in the FFA who took part in the activity. *Photo by Ashley Ferren.*



forty five

Handing out bulletins in front of the fieldhouse for Graduation on June 16, Kenneth Wooten helps a woman out by answering her questions and directing her to the stadium for the ceremony. The 45 new National Honor Society inductees served as ushers for the Class of 2000's graduation day. *Photo by Randall Pierce.*

Nineteen

Participating in a National Art Honor Society project, Josephine De and Allyson Williams-Mele cut out pictures to paste on ornaments in order to decorate a Christmas tree. The tree, which the nineteen NAHS members donated to the downtown tree auction, was decorated with dog toys and bones, at the suggestion of Mr. Bob Murray. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

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Number of language organizations: 9. Number of competition organizations: 8. Number of performance organizations: 6. Number of Honor Societies: 4. Number of "future" organizations: 3. Number of James Farmer Scholars: 10. Number of National Honor Society members: 81. Number of Certamen team members: 11. Number of class board members: 65. Number of Science Club members: 19. Number of organizations "to be in": 39.





Always willing to help out, especially with young children, SCA members Laura Nelson and Mandi Cabral assist kids at the Hope House with making Gods' Eyes, a form of art and decoration. A group of six or seven members from the Student Council Association volunteered their time to work with fourtee kids from the facility. Photo by Heather Benson.



Five

Performing a scene from Romeo & Juliet, Jenna Ewing plays Juliet in the balcony scene while Jenny Neilsen, the scene's narrator, looks on with a smile, trying not to laugh. The play, The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abriged), was a comedy put on by the Drama students. The production ran for five straight nights in February, consisting of only three actors and one director each evening. The play provided hours of laugh for audience members who were treated to hilarious parodies and ad-libs for each performance. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Seventy Two

Looking away from the needle for both comfort and to talk to a friend, senior Joey Payton gives blood, one of 72 patrons to do so during the October blood drive, sponsored by the National Honor Society. *Photo by Laura Weidenbach*.

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Organizations

-SCA

ade up of 75 representatives selected by each homeroom, SCA had a strong leadership presence in school events.

The group met twice a month and members were given the privilege of eating lunch in the SCA office.

"We are all friends, which makes it fun for us to do activities together," said SCA reporter/historian, Mandi Cabral.

"I like doing activities with SCA because my friends are in it and when we do projects together it makes it fun for everyone there," said junior Sara Stultz.

In order to letter, officers and board members had to earn at least 60 points per semester and representatives had to earn 45 points per semester.

Homecoming was SCA's largest school event. "It took time and dedication to be able to think of a theme every year," said Ms. Fisher.

"It took forever to think of a theme, it always does, so we just sat there thinking of things until it was done," said junior Laura Nelson.

Once everything was together the members volunteers to set up the day of the dance.

"Preparing and organizing decorations to look presentable was pretty tuff," according to junior Michael Toner, "we probably worked about ten hours the day of homecoming."

SCA didn't just host fun and games. Community service also offered opportunities for members to earn points.

"Right before Christmas we went to the Hope House and made God's eyes with the kids there. It felt good to help the less fortunate," said Cabral

In addition to Hope House, SCA participated in the Red Cross Letters to Santa program and sponsored the giving tree during Christmas and raised money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

By Sarah Carter



Check It Out. Admiring the cranes that Mr. Takii gave them Mandi Cabral and Jenny Neilson check out the wings. Mr. Takii had his students from Japan write Japanese on one side of the wing and English on the other, to see the difference in languages. "It was really neat looking at the differences in the way we write," said Mandi Cabral. Photo by Colleen Fowler.







"I have really enjoyed my time a president. It has taken a great deal of my time, more than I thought it would, but it has taught me so much."

–SCA President Lenora Bowler

Strung Together. Making "Gods eyes" with the children at the Hope house, Lenora Bowler demonstrates how to make them. The SCA visited the Hope House during the Christmas season. Photo by Heather Benson.



Sign Here. Selling tickets for Homecoming during lunch, Elisabeth Klugart shows Shannon Mckay where to sign up for the dance. 1,703 tickets were sold to the spirited dance. Photo by Randall Pierce.

Cleaning for Cash. Washing cars for Cystic Fibrosis Matt Herbek sprays down the vehicle. The fundraiser was held in the school parking lot in March and raised \$100 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. *Photo by Jon Wassink*.

'fun' fundraiser matches students

hey were interested in finding out who their perfect match would be.

"I thought it was really interesting to see who would end up with who. It was funny to see how different best friends preferences were and that people who were dating didn't even end up on each other's lists," said junior Sara Stultz

Stultz was one of more than 300 students who purchased their 'Matchmaker' list during the SCA's fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis.

Students filled out questionnaires about their personal likes and dislikes which were sent off.

The results listed compatibility matches: the top ten people each person would like and then ten who would like them. Also listed were a most compatible friend and a least compatible match. Beginning on Valentine's Day 'results' were available for \$1.

It raised \$317 for the foundation.

By Sarah Carter

Chillin'. During lunch Matt Herbek, Todd Rosenbom, and Ms. Fisher look at a magazine. All members were able to eat lunch in the SCA office. "I have all three lunch shifts and we just have fun in there playing games and laughing at one another," said Sara Stulz. Photo by Leigha Surles.





Helping Hand. Lending a helping hand Laura Nelson assists a student at the Hope House. The Hope House provides as a safe shelter for battered women and their children. Photo by Heather Benson.

bleeding for a good cause

t was like having a Capri Sun straw stuck in my arm," said Senior Chip Clark as he described what it was like taking part in the first of two blood drives sponsored by the National Honor Society.

"It felt good to donate though, because I knew I would be helping out someone in need," said Clark.

The good intentions needed to sign up came easily, the actual donating didn't always.

"I had to stop giving blood early because I felt like I was going to pass out," said senior Brandon Rehberg of his blood drive experience. "I started to feel really dizzy, the lights got blurry and all my friends said I turned green."

Donations took place in the lecture hall and the line of waiting donors sitting in chairs began at the doorway and stretched down the hall. It took about an hour or more to register and wait to give blood. After donating, donors went through a recovery period and ate and drank to regain their energy.

By Chris Barksdale

A Helping Hand. While giving blood senior Meghan Brooks squeezes the ball in her hand used to improve blood flow. "I love helping people," said Brooks, "It comes naturally for me and this was just one way for me to do it." Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Calm. Awaiting the needle Senior Hansub Chong talks to an American Red Cross nurse before giving blood. "I was nervous at first, but my nurse calmed me down and told me I had nothing to worry about," said Chong. Photo by Laura Weidenbach





"I participate in the NHS because I enjoy participating in the service activities that we do. I really enjoyed last years Cystic Fibrosis walk and I'm looking forward to the next one." - Jamie Knapp

Scrubbin'. Working as a team, seniors Josh Cox, Richard Erwin, and Ben Cox, suds up a car at the NHS car wash. "I really had fun at the car wash," said Ben, "there were 2 or 3 shifts with about 7 or 8 kids in each shift, so we had time to goof around too." Photo by Jon Wassink.



Car Wash. Advertising for the NHS car wash last May, graduate Emily Hamblet stands patiently on the side of the road at the Central Park Wawa holding her sign. The donations that were received went towards The Cystic Fibrosis Fund. *Photo by Jon Wassink.*

Scrub-A-Dub. Enjoying a conversation with graduate Jeremy Colwell, Senior Josh Cox scrubs a customer's car during the National Honor Society's car wash that took place last May. *Photo by Jon Wassink*.





-12bn NHS-

ponsoring two blood drives in one school year was only one of the National Honor Society's way of helping out their community.

The National Honor Society performed acts of community service throughout the year and started it all off in September with the first of two successful blood drives.

The blood drive took place in the lecture hall and had lines of students overflowing outside the door. Students spent up to 2 hours while they registered, waited, and donated their blood for the cause.

"I waited at least an hour before I could even be seen because their were so many people donating," said senior Heather Schnell.

After blood was taken, the donators went through a recovery period where they were able to regain most of their much needed energy. This process consisted of resting while eating cookies, and drinking juice or soda; basically whatever students needed to get them 'back on their feet' was done.

The generous blood drive wasn't the only act of community service the NHS participated in.

In December the NHS rang bells to collect money for the Salvation Army. Members went to two of the three local Giant grocery store locations to help with the cause.

Just after Christmas NHS once again gave their assistance during the holiday season by helping out at the Harrison Road dump, where they helped turn dead Christmas trees into resourceful mulch.

At the end of every six weeks the NHS also helped out the faculty with report card distribution. With every report card came an annual newsletter, members of the NHS helped staple, sort, and distribute over 1,000 of them to the student body.

To be a member of the NHS, students must maintain a GPA of 3.2 or higher. "Being a member has so many benefits. It feels really good knowing that you have helped out your community, being inducted also looks really good on colleges," said NHS President Josh Cox.

By Chris Barksdale



Organizing. Preparing the newsletters, Senior Allison Williams-Mele stays focused. The NHS helped distribute newsletters at the end of every six weeks. *Photo by Randall Pierce.*

national spanish

honor society

grade point average of 3.0 was necessary for admission to the National Spanish Honor Society.

"To be able to stay in the club, you have to maintain a GPA of 3.0 in all your previous years of Spanish," said senior Monica Chan.

The club offered various benefits to the students involved.

"I enjoy the club because I learn about the culture and meet new people. I get a new experience through interactions with the other people in the group," said Chan.

Keeping up a GPA can often be a challenging, but at the same time rewarding.

"I study in my Spanish class, and that allows me to improve my grade, and also helps me keep it up so that I am able to stay involved in the NSHS," said senior Justin Fugua

By Miranda Mills

¿Qué Pasa? Mrs. McCrary discusses the plans and ideas for the NSHS Homecoming float with Justin Arocho at an after school meeting. Photo by Randall Pierce.



Walking Proud. The NSHS members wave their banner as they walk the track at the Homecoming game. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





"I enjoyed teaching the children how to do something new. It was a learning experience for both the kids and me. It was nice to see their excitement after they finished [making] their crafts

-Flizabeth Sabu

Lending a helping hand. Ginnie Holman takes the time to make reindeer ornaments with Joan so she can decorate her tree, which helps out the faculty afterschool for Christmas shopping. Photo by Ashley Ferren.



Keepin' An Eye Out. Mrs. Orr observes and admires the efforts that Zachary Anderson and Ben Massey put into their Christmas inspired crafts. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

Got the Spirit? Jamie Knapp uses her creativity while helping Katie Jordan make Christmas cards. Photo by Ashley Ferren.





NAHS

tarting new trends with Mr. Takki, an exchange teacher from Japan, members of the National Art Honor Society were provided with a cultured experience. In the few weeks he was here club members were taught calligraphy, Japanese writing, and how styles of art differ in Japan. After school he gave a chance for participants to practice their brush strokes and taught them how to make origami swans.

During the Christmas season members devoted their time to help bring happiness to others. During the holiday break members spread their cheer by making clay ornaments and masks to hang on Christmas trees for display in the school's showcases. Raising money for the homeless was also a generous way of expressing their holiday spirit.

To help out the faculty staff, club members held an after school "daycare." It was a place for the faculty's children to stay and make crafts while they finished their Christmas shopping. The service proved to be very helpful for those last-minute Christmas shoppers.

"The kids were happy and of course it was relief of stress to the parents," said Art teacher, Kasandra Orr.

During the Second semester the club sponsored the art opening to display Johnny Johnson's artwork representing African American culture.

"I particularly liked the colorful expressions of emotion portrayed in his paintings. Seeing varieties of art influences and motivates me in becoming an artist," said sophomore Rachel Walters.

Club members were also given the opportunity to view some local artists work. In late March, locals Joan Gardner and Paula Rose came to showcase their art. Their paintings were shown on a slideshow with a brief explanation of the paintings, as well as a comparison between Gardner and Rose's sense of style.

"Although their art was unique, I still preferred the AP students' better. I admired the realistic qualities of their self-portraits," said sophomore Daniel Rosas.

By Chris Raynore



Wired. Adam Corey and Zachary Fuller, make ornaments out of tinsel to put on the Christmas Tree. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

- Debate _

t was a group where argument was everything. For club member Jeanelle Bumpus, arguing was not only something she was good at, but something she loved to do. Bumpus has always loved to argue, she said it was her main reason for joining the team.

"Being in Debate broadens your social skills and it allows you to be an alert speaker. Being able to voice your opinion in a civilized manner is a vital key to good social skills. You also get to meet a lot of people," said Bumpus.

Perhaps more than many groups, debate took up a good amount of time and required dedication. Tournaments were held on Saturdays and lasted almost all day, Practices were held after school and were required the week before a competition.

"Districts took a lot of preparation and hard work. My partner and I worked very hard to place in this tournament and it paid off," Bumpus said. "We won first place in our district."

Although there were no requirements to be on the team as there were for many academic groups. An internal drive was much needed to place in any competition.

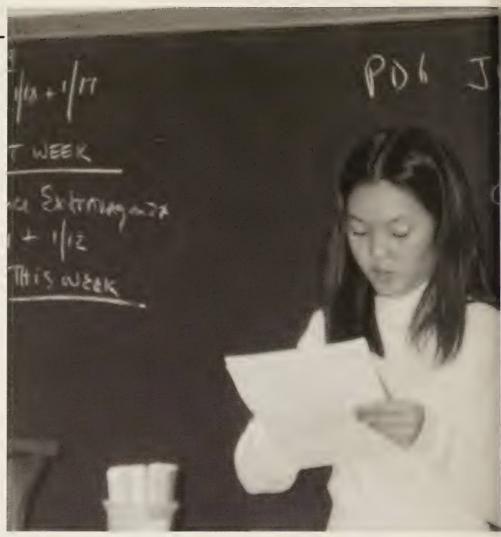
It helped to have quick thinking, a will, and commitment in order to be successful, according to sponsor Mrs. Delgroso.

"It wasn't easy placing in districts although we had done it before," said Bumpus. "This year has been a great experience for us. We have learned a lot and most of all we had fun. Regionals and Metros are up next and we are looking forward to that. It really would be a big accomplishment because we've come so far in three years," added Bumpus. "But we still have a higher destination, States."

By Shanicka Jones



Final Glance. Looking over their speeches, juniors Dean Park and Derrick Sears are making final revisions and preparations to their speeches before they are to perform before the judge. Photo by Lindsay Lascara.







"I enjoy debate because I get to argue important issues, but it's a problem if you don't have your thoughts together. The only way to stay organized is by having our folders, before every mathch we search through it and find our material for our round."

- Rae Anne Covington.

Addressing the crowd. Giving her speech before the judge, sophomore Gina Pee is delivering her affirmative plan. The match was held in Maryland at their WACFL tournament. Photo By Lindsay Lascara



Rummaging. Filing though the folders, sophomore Bret Woldanski finds his materials for his speech. The folders consisted of research on the subjects on which the debaters were to speak about during the round. Photo by Lindsay Lascara.

Preparation. Setting up paper, junior Gregory Pavela constructs an organized chart to ensure that the next debate round flows smoothly. Photo by Gina Pee.

academic team

he academic team provided a place for students to put their mind to the test.

"The key to answering a question is not only knowing the answer, but beating everyone else to the buzzer," said senior Ben Cox.

As district tournament champs this year, the academic team made the quarter - finals for the WCVE Challenge 23 (Battle of the Brains) in February. They also placed third in the region and competed well in the St. Ann's Bellfield tournament and Governor's School.

A series of district matches, conventions, written tests, and tournaments kept them busy throughout their September to May season.

Not only did it test their knowledge but it tested their ability to work as a team as well.

"The team members have jelled, egos have been put aside, and teamwork is used at every meet. I think we all enjoy the camaraderie," said sponsor Mr. Shinberger.

By Monica Nolan

Ready. Getting ready for the up coming academic trial, Justin Arocho, Lindsay Biddinger, Josh Cox, and T.J. McNally get prepared by the technician for the round. The participants had microphones clipped onto their clothing so that they could be heard throughout the match. Photo by Ashley Ferren.





Say Cheese. Members of the academic team, T.J. McNally, Lindsay Biddinger, Justin Arocho, and Josh Cox, pose for a picture with the host of the Academic Challenge, May-Lilly Lee, from WCVE. Photo by Ashley Ferren.

magine yourself on a stage in front of hundreds of people with all eyes on you. That was just one of the challenges members of the Drama club faced when performing any play in front of an audience. It was especially so when they presented the one-act play Whom is Chasing Who at the annual state competition.

The group was elated to be one of the top four.

"It was the best feeling to be passed on as one of the best," said sophomore Kelly Schnabel.

Final competition took place the following day.

"Just being there [back stage] was stressful," said sophomore Sam Payne. "You could literally feel the tension in the air, every school wanted to win."

"Once on stage the stress went away making it easier to perform. We did our absolute best and went very far with our piece. It was thrilling to be in the top four out of 44 schools competing," said sophomore Elizabeth Klugart.

By Sarah Carter

Break Down. Performing Hamlet, the Tragedy of the Prince of Denmark, Jenny Neilson acts out the 'To be or not to be' scene. Drama students, Jenna Ewing and TJ McNally are supporting her as she dramatically falls to pieces. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



Take one. While performing 'The Complete Works of Shakespeare Abridged,' TJ McNally plays the role of Juliett's nurse. "In this part of the skit I was whining to Juliett because Romeo killed Tibalt. It was a little bit harder because I had to play the role of a girl, but that also made it funny," said McNally. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





"Step team took a lot of time and effort, but it paid off when we got everything together and actually performed."

-Rae-Anne Covington

Snap Action. Stepping during a halftime show at a Massaponax home game, Captain Toya Baker gets into her movements. "My favorite part about the step team is when the crowd gets into it, it really gets us motivated and pumped up," said Baker. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



N*Sync. During a half time show at a boys basketball game, Brandy Vellencia and Nichole Hamlin perform a step routine that the step team choreographed themselves. "We made up all of our routines, that's what made the step team original. We were always really proud of ourselves after we got our dances made up," said junior Melissa Steineger. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

Step It Up. During a half time show Sandace Palmer gets her stomp on. "Step team was fun because a lot of my friends were on the team, but the only bad part about the team was that we had to switch off games with the dance team," said Palmer. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





Step -

Practice was everything.

It was a weekly four-hour committment, according to co-captain Sandace Palmer.

"Practice was very important," Palmer said. "It took a lot of time and practice to really get somewhere. You had to have dedication and determination in order to stay focused."

"When we go to practice, we have to be serious and get right on task because our time is so limited," said Captain Toya Baker

But on Fridays it was show time.

"On the Fridays that we perform, we stay after school and practice until it's time to actually perform," Palmer added.

"It's great to see everyone in the crowd really get into it," said Toya.

It took three to four of those four hour practices to learn a new routine, according to Captain Toya Baker.

"Usually after hearing the beat and seeing the step a couple of times, I can get it," said Baker.

In only its second year, the team had a big number of members with no prior step knowledge.

"Although we are limited in experience, we make up for that with our willingness to work," said team member Crystal Brisette. "We all get along really well and that really helps our performance," she added.

The newness and the limited performance time kept the number of the team's routines small.

"Our routines aren't so elaborate, but in the future we strive for longer and more complicated routines," said stepper Melissa Steineger. "As we get more experience our shows are bound to just get better," she added.

By Shanicka Jones



Jamming. During a timeout, Nicole Hamlin and Crystal Brisette dance in their seats to the music. "The best thing about the step team is that we all got along well and it helped our performance," said Hamlin. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

summer lovin'

"Practice starts during the summer because there is no way that we could get the beginning band players to where the second year people are. Everyone has previous band experience, but getting everyone on the same beat and step would be impossible, because we have to learn notes and steps and put it all together," said Lindsey Biddinger, "If one person doesn't get a step, then it affects everyone."

For the marching band, practice starts during the summer in order to prepare for the up-coming football season.

"We practice the same amount of time as the football players. Instead of us practicing all day, we split our practice up into morning and afternoon practice. It helps because we're not out there during the hottest time of the day. Marching band takes a lot of commitment because your giving up half of your summer, but it's worth it," said Biddinger.

By Shanicka Jones

Summer Lovin'. During one of their many summer practices flutes and brass play in unison following the lead of Drum Major Lindsey Biddinger. Photo by Mary Benton.



Sizzlin'. Coping with the heat brass players use their sheet music in place of their instruments at a summer practice. Photo by Mary Benton.





"It's so much fun marching on the field, knowing all eyes are on you and that you are part of what makes things so exciting."

-Greg James

Attention. Waiting at mark time for the next command Ben Defforest waits for the drill. This was his final moment to collect his last thoughts before the show begins. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



File Out. Leaving the field after the half time show Matt Crites puts on his post performance face. Photo by Mary Benton.

Foward March. Standing at attention Chad Davis and Lindsay Biddinger wait for the marching band to file in and make their formation during half time. Photo by Mary Benton.





- 12hm Band -

pectators in the stands at Cary High School, North Carolina roared and clapped. The Massaponax Marching Panther Pride had just won the Heart of Cary. Students and parents wearing teal and black jumped up and down and screamed. The trophy was awarded to the most enthusiastic and spirited band.

"Cary was the most memorable competition because we won the Heart of Cary two years in a row," said senior Justin Arocho.

The band's hard work had paid off. Not only was this their second year to win the trophy, but they also received 16 first place awards in eight different categories for the whole season.

"I'm glad that we did so well this season compared to our other years," said Arocho. This year was the first year they earned a superior rating at the Virginia Band and Orchestra Director's Association (VBODA) State Marching Festival. This was an improvement from the previous years.

"At practices, Mr. Koch would say, 'if you're not going to do your best all the time, don't bother'," said Arocho.

They practiced three days a week for almost three hours every day. Practices started before school began at Band Camp and did not end until the last of the competitions at the beginning of November. They learned teamwork because they learned to depend on each other.

"The real practices we have are football games because we are on the field in front of people and it gets us used to people watching us," said Trish Sloan.

The football games were a big part of the band program because they traveled with the teams to perform and pep up the fans.

"It's a huge commitment, but totally worth it; you get that sense of accomplishment," said sophomore Brian Baez

By Tiffany Carty



The crowd goes wild. Playing the Xylophone Emiley Sheckles performs for the cheering stands. "It's exciting knowing that you get the crowd going wild," said Sheckles. Photo by Mary Benton

Dance

the Step team and the cheerleaders, the first year Dance Team performed during halftime at home basketball games.

"It took a lot of concentration, responsibility, and patience to get this group going and that's what makes it great," said junior Mary Geraci. "I have a lot of good memories about this year because it was our first."

"My most memorable performance was the second one that we did against King George," said Geraci. "That time it went a lot easier and we weren't scared anymore. Some of the first time pressure was lifted off our shoulders. We actually knew what we were doing and everybody was calm. It wasn't as nerve wrecking."

"You definitely have to have patience to be on the dance team," said Kristina Vitek. "It is really hard work, but it is definitely worth it. Practices are what make the memories."

by Carolyn Zidek and Rebecca Carl

Flexible. Warming up before practice, sophomore Alicia Ross stretches by doing the splits. "Stretching is key to practice because you must loosen your muscles before adding the extra wear and tear," said junior Kristina Vitek. Photo by Monica Nava.



Be Proud. Practicing their routine for the basketball halftime show, sophomore Ashley Yeager announces the next step to freshmen team members Lauren Watkins, Nia Boothe, and Nicki Anderson. Photo by Monica Nava.





"On Fridays I showed off my school spirit by wearing my tie-dye T-shirt and decorating my face with jewels. The jewels matched my shirt so I thought it would add some pep. School spirit is really something I'm into."

- Jessica Mills

Determined. With a straight face senior Mary Benton marches onto the field leading the rest of the colorguard. "We're not supposed to smile while performing because that's unprofessional," said junior Stacy Larson. Photo by Chris Petrie.



Practice Makes Perfect. Colorguard members Stacy Larson and Kelly Strong practice their performance for the halftime show. Practices were held after school everyday weather permitting. Photo by Chris Petrie.

Twirling. Concentrating on the crowd, senior Colleen Fowler perfects her routine before the halftime show. "When I was in eighth grade, two of my friends wanted to be in colorguard. They wouldn't do it unless I did it too. We didn't even know what it was." Photo by Chris Petrie.





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er arms were bruised and so were her legs.
They were not the result of a car crash or a severe fall, not for junior Jessica Mills. Her battered body was the payoff for the hours she spent practicing her colorguard routine.

"It's embarrassing," she said, "because when I come to school no one knows where I got the bruises from. They all think I'm just accident prone. I fall a lot while twirling my flag."

A high tolerance for pain wasn't the only requirement for membership. It took skill, tolerance, and strength according to junior Dana Solomey.

"Even though we practice three hours a day, we still can make some pretty embarrassing mistakes during performance," said Solomey. "One time during a football game against Louisa, I fell in front of everybody. We were all supposed to go down at the same time. I didn't and was lucky because nobody really noticed. I was completely humiliated. The only time I've really gotten hurt was when I fell during the game. I had a bruise on my leg and that's it," she said.

Former marching band flute player Kelly Strong switched to colorguard this year.

"Most of my friends were in guard," said Strong of the reason for her switch. "At states this year, it was really windy. I was doing a windmill and I hit myself on the head. I laughed but the only person I know that noticed was Mary Benton. I was just happy I didn't drop [the flag]. Just about everybody dropped during that show."

The Guard received a superior, the highest award possible at their state competition.

"Even though we do have some little embarrassing moments don't underestimate us," said Colleen Fowler. "It just takes a lot of practice to get the routine right."

by Rebecca Carl



Whats goin' on? Looking around to make sure she's doing the routine correctly, Stacey Mickens gets ready to toss her saber. *Photo by Mary Benton.*

- key club

or most academic courses, the number of problems wrong determined the grade on a test; the grade on the test determined the student's grade; the student's grade told the students if he or she did well in a class or not. For the Key Club members, points told members if they pulled their own weight and if they could stay in or if they needed to work harder to retain membership.

"You must have at least five points by the end of the first semester; and if you want a community service letter, you must have 25 points by the end of the year," President Daniel Ross said.

Members didn't find it too hard to get the five points. There was plenty of opportunities for members to reach the five point goal for the first semester.

"It was easy to obtain five points because we got a point for every meeting we went to," said Jay Morris. "The more involved the activity, the more points we could get."

The point system helped weed out the less active members and kept the harder workers in.

"This system is a good way to teach members to be responsible and to keep them active in the club," said sponsor Mr. Shinberger.

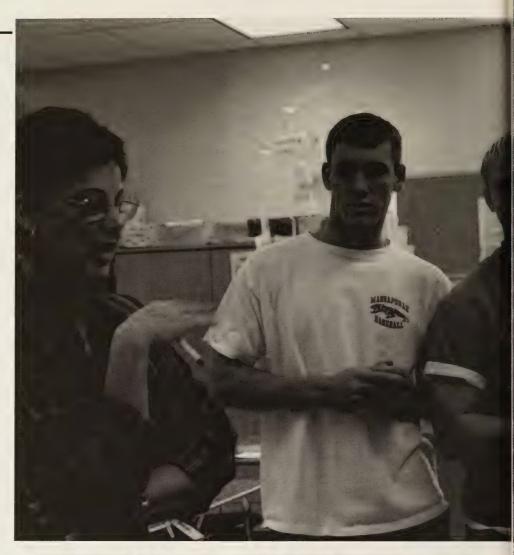
During the first semester there was approximately five ways to earn up to 15 points. "Five was easy but now I really have to work to get my letter," said Activity Manager Patrick Sykes. Sykes planned to participate in more meetings, picnics, and help out in any other opportunities that were offered.

The sponsors for the key club were Mrs. McCrum and Mr. Shinberger, officers were President Daniel Ross, Vice President Zac Shaw, Secretary Erin Watson, Reporter/Historian Audra Rojek, and Activity Managers Brittany Lutz, Patrick Sykes and Rachel Stapp.

by Mike Bragg



Earning points. Members of the key club listen to officers speak about ways to get involved during the second meeting. Photo by Randall Pierce.







"This has been the best year Key Club has ever had at M.H.S. The students have been extremely productive in all activities and fundraisers. The officers have shown much responsibility and organizational skills that will last them their entire lifetime."

-Mr. Shinberger

Listen Up. Discussing dues, Steven Knight and Jay Morris listen to Mrs. McCrum during the second meeting. Photo by Randall Pierce.



Lets Get Started. Trying to get the meeting going, President Daniel Ross brings up some topics that need to be discussed. Photo by Randall Pierce.

Flags Flying High. Talking about the banner for the Homecoming parade, Rachel Stapp and Steven Knight think of ideas during the third meeting. Photo by Randall Pierce.

fellowship of christian athletes

t seven a.m two Thursday mornings a month, FCA members met in the Lecture hall as teachersprepared for their day and most students prepared to leave for school.

The early start was the only way to get the meeting in before school began.

"I have to wake up fifteen minutes earlier than usual," said sophomore Amy Franklin. But Franklin didn't mind giving up a few minutes of sleep. "There's a lot of common interests that you share in FCA like religion and sports. In FCA we hang out and enjoy each others conversations and we don't feel the pressure of breaking rules, " said Franklin.

Member Allison Raines agreed.

"We just recently got started this year, and even though we have only had a few meetings, we hope to gain some more support from the student body," she said. "It is really nice to know that there are other people in the school that share the same interests."

by Rebecca Carl

Makin' Plans. Discussing activities, fundraisers, and trips for next year, the FCA brainstorms ideas. Photo by Randall Pierce.





Whats up. Listening to the the president go over certain activities, Elizabeth Sabu and Lenora Bowler pay close attention to whats happening. Photo by Randall Pierce.

future business leaders of america

BLA members were busier than ever during the Christmas season when they participated in three service activities.

"This year one of the activities we participated in was the Adopt-a-Family program. We brought in wrapped gifts, clothes, and toys for a five-year old boy and a three-year old girl and their mother. It felt good to know that we helped less fortunate people have a Merry Christmas," said Nakole Charles.

FBLA also participated in a canned food drive for the Hope House Food Pantry.

"We ended up turning in over 300 cans total this year," said Allison Bock.

Their third service activity was caroling at the Potomac Point Nursing Facility.

"Going Christmas caroling was really fun. All you had to do was sing and be happy. Making less fortunate people smile made me feel good inside," said Ashley Titus.

by Lindsay Lascara

Tack It Up. In the hallway after school, Humyan Chohan puts up the FBLA bulletin board during Homecoming Spirit week. Photo by Allyson Burns.



Hats Off to the Chef. Setting up the FBLA table, Allison Burns, Alicia Ross, and Shelly Michaels get ready to serve the food at the Homecoming Tailgate Party. Photo by Tiffany Carty.





"I was helping Mr. Takki while he was frying sweet potatoes. I helped him by taking the slices out of the oil. I liked the sweet potatoes best. I didn't eat the shrimp."

- Anthony Hines

Helping Hands. During refreshments, Michelle Jacobs and Cindee Tran talk as they serve food to the students after the Academic Awards Assembly. "Michelle and I are good friends, so it was pretty fun serving food because I always had someone to talk to when it was slow," said Tran. Photo by Kelly Romine.



Sunny Day. Walking through the scenes at the State Fair, Tiffany Waller, Rebecca Woodefolk, and Destini Jones look at farm animals. Photo by Michelle Jacobs.

Grubbin'. Eating the Japanese Tempura shrimp dish cooked by Mr. Takki, Melissa Knighting, Colleen Burns, and Jennifer Huffman do a little taste test. Photo by Michelle Jacobs.





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week before the Valentine's Day dance, the FCCLA hard at work planning for the event. Every single minute counted when trying to get things done.

"The decision to hold it [the dance] was made at the last minute. We finally decided to do it though. All of the members had to work very hard to get it ready. We had to do everything, from selling the tickets and setting up before hand, to cleaning up afterward. Everyone in the club had to be at school by 2:00 p.m. to start setting up. We didn't get to leave until 12:45 a.m.," said Goldie Harris.

"FCCLA was a lot of work this year. We sponsored the Valentine's Day dance, which was really fun. I think that was the best thing we got to do this year, because we got to do everything for it," said Crystal Crawford.

Another activity that the FCCLA participated in was the State Fair.

"Everybody in the club got to go. We all entered a project for judging. I won second place in the floral arrangement category. I was very excited to see my ribbon because not many people won and I didn't think my project was good enough," said Cindee Tran.

"Being in FCCLA this year was great. When we went to the State Fair, I entered a bead bracelet and necklace. I placed third in the competition. I was pretty excited, because there was a pretty big turn out from our school itself, not counting the other people there," said President, Tiffany Mauck.

"It was also fun because we gave the Valentine's Day Dance. I really enjoyed that because it gave me a chance to work with my classmates and have fun at the same time. Even though it took two weeks planning and working on the dance, Mrs. Clark and all of us were really satisfied with the results," said Mauck.

by Lindsay Lascara



Check It Out. Observing things at the State Fair, Tiffany Waller, Rebecca Woodfolk, and Destini Jones admire their ribbons. Photo by Mrs. Clark

future farmers of america

FA members spent an hour in the cold and brought teachers a smile during the holiday season.

The group's poinsettia sale sold over 100 plants. When the flowers arrived at school, members stayed after to unload them and add last minute details.

"When we got the flowers in the school, we had to re- tie the ribbons that had come loose and sort them by color," said sophomore Jaymi Ezwald. "There were more flowers in that one room than I had seen in my whole life."

Delivery took place the following day.

"I think the whole flowers at Christmas idea went quite well," said senior Ash Harding. "I was proud of everyone that stayed after and helped. We worked as a team and the smiles on the teachers faces were the pay off.

by Carolyn Zidek

Tying up loose ends. Senior Ellen Bingham finishes tying ribbons around the base of a flower pot getting ready for the big fundraiser for FFA during Christmas. Photo by Mindi Miller.



Helping Hands. Helping Ms. Clark get ready for the upcoming fundraiser for FFA, Colleen Burns helps selling poinsettias. "The other members and I would carry the flowers out of the vans and take them to the room to tie ribbons at the base of the flowerpot." Photo by Heather Benson.





"I enjoyed being in DECA this year. It's a way to get out in the real world and find out about different jobs. We learn how different businesses work. We went to the State Fair and New York this year. I also met some of my really good friends in DECA."

-Jeanell Rogers

Chillin'. Conversing with her DECA students, Ms. Corbin talks to Heather Benson and April Stewart. *Photo by Chris Petrie.*



Leader of the Pack. Sponsor of DECA and Marketing teacher Ms. Corbin works with a smile in the school store during the mornings before first period. *Photo by Heather Benson.*

Proud. Standing for the DECA club pledge, members Jeanell Rogers and Tanisha Cannidy recite it with the other DECA members. *Photo by Heather Benson*.





Deca -

uest speaker Sam Abed stood in front of all the DECA students, members, parents, and spon sors while they ate their lasagna at the Chapter Initiation Dinner in November. Abed was a former marketing student and President of his DECA division at his high school. Abed spoke to students about taking advantage of the opportunities of DECA.

"DECA is just an extra part," said Webber. "You get to do a lot of fun stuff."

Most DECA students left school early everyday. Sometimes it was after third period, sometimes it was after fourth period, sometimes after fifth period, and other times it was after sixth period. The students left school to go to work.

"We as DECA members not only get out early, but learn to work in the real world," said senior Shana Bethards, who worked at First Virginia Bank. "They show us how businesses work inside and out."

Senior Katrina Culpepper left school each day after fifth period and worked about 20 hours a week for Kohl's Department.

"I'm saving money to move out on my own after I graduate," said Culpepper. "Leaving early allows me to get more hours. I'd like 30 to 35 hours per week. I really enjoyed the trip to New York. I'd never been before. I probably wouldn't have ever visited until I was a lot older. I'd go again if I had the chance. The shopping there was better than any place I'd ever been."

Leaving school early was one of the advantages of being in DECA.

They also held many fundraisers, went to the State Fair and New York, and also held several other conferences and activities.

"In DECA, you learn in fun ways, plus a lot of my friends are involved," said junior Tara Benze. "I would recommend DECA to all marketing students."

by Tiffany Carty



Finishing up. DECA members Kenny Johnson, Tara Benze, Monica Webber, and Derek Ebodaughe finish up their food. *Photo by Heather Benson*.

spanish club

he Spanish Club was run by the students with minor adult influence, according to co-sponsor Mr. Geockler, which allowed the students to do most of the deciding on activities and events.

"The highlight of the club's activities this year was the International Banquet," said Green.

All the foreign language clubs participated and several hundred students attended with their families, sharing cultures and enjoying food and music.

Food was a big hit and more than one recipe was worth a second helping.

"I really liked the bread and rolls that people brought and my favorite was the cornbread. I can never get enough of that stuff," said junior Monte Weaver.

Food was followed by performance.

"We had to get up in front of everyone and sing different songs in Spanish," said senior Christine Tharp.

by Danielle McKendrick



Getting ready. Sitting in the floor of the Spanish classroom, sophomore Caroline Smith begins to cut stars to be placed on the Spanish Club homecoming banner. Photo by Randall Pierce.

Freebie. Before the Homecoming

game, freshmen Chris Jones and

Teddy Peck marched around the

Massaponax parking lot holding the

Spanish Club banner. "I wanted to

hold the banner because that would

get me into the football game for

free," said Jones. Photo by Segall-

Majestic.





"My favorite thing about Latin is that you get to connect with the past by studying something ages old. Itookit because I'man academic student and I was looking for something hard and challenging. I discovered that I love foreign languages."

- Jackie Wilson

March and Cheer. During the spirit contest at the Latin Convention, junior Matt Herbek, senior Lindsay Biddinger, and junior Jackie Wilson show their panther pride along with the other members of the Massaponax Delegation. *Photo by Juliette Zerrick.*



Leadin' the crowd. In order to get more attention, senior Lindsay Biddinger climbed on top of senior Ben Cox's shoulders while she led the rest of the Massaponax Delegation in a cheer during the spirit competition. The students had different kinds of instruments to play or shake in order to make the most noise. Photo by Juliette Zerrick.

Opening speech. Anxiously waiting for the podium, freshman Michael Love prepares to give his speech to the Junior Classical League (JCL) at the annual convention in Richmond. "I wasn't sure if I would win or not, but a lot of people told me that I had a really good speech," he said. "When they announced that I was the winner I was pretty surprised and very happy." Photo by Juliette Zerrick.





Latin -

izza and soda were everywhere and over half the kids were wearing trash bags. Masters and their slaves were laughing, getting messy, and having a great time during the Latin Banquet for members of the Latin Honor Society and Latin Club.

"The first time you go, you have to be a slave and wear a trash bag. Everyone else is a master," said LHS President Ben Cox. "The masters bid on the slaves and then their slaves have to do whatever their masters tell them."

Slaves picked out a piece of paper from a hat that told them a certain task they had to perform. Tasks ranged from licking whip cream off someone's face to singing a song loud and clear in front of everybody.

"Last year we got someone to harass the pizza guy," Cox said. "One of the slaves took his hat and wouldn't give it back. He was like 'Hey! Give me back my hat!' and we just encouraged him not to. Another kid had to stare at a girl until his master told him to stop. It was hilarious."

Not just anybody could get into the LHS to be a part of this great event.

"You have to have an 'A' average in Latin from the year before," said Sophomore Ellen Lusby, "And you have to maintain a good, positive attitude as well."

Officers and other members ran the LHS.

"Mrs. Jusino leaves everything up to us," said sophomore Jennifer Alexander. "She rarely ever interferes. Since it's run by us, it's not as involved as it could be, but I still enjoy being a part of it."

"Latin Honor Society is a very laid-back organization," said LHS sponsor Martha Jusino. "I like to leave the decisions up to the officers. Whether we have an active year or not is solely based on the choices that they make. I'm not here to tell the kids how to run the club, but if they need some assistance I'll gladly help them out."

by Laura Scott



Cute pair. Waiting to be judged in the competition at the JCL convention, Rachael Sargeant and Matt Herbek stand side by side .Photo by Laura Scott.

science club

n a sunny Saturday in November science club members did a good deed.

Led by Mr. Stebar and volunteers from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, members started out at Old Mill Park and planted trees along the river's banks. Work was followed by a canoe trip.

"It was had work to plant the trees," said John Russell. "But going down river was a lot of fun because it was the first time I ever rode in a canoe and I got really soaked."

As they traveled down river, the volunteers stopped and talked about the river and its wildlife.

"I didn't know anything about the river and the volunteers taught us a lot about the fish, the wildlife, and how the river needs to be taken care of," said Laura Moran.

"Unlike normal trips, [this trip] was really hands on and the members did a good deed by planting those trees," said Mr. Stebar.

by Mike Bragg

Go With The Flow. Paddling down the Rappahanock, John Russell and Payton Hoshaw move with the current. "I got wet very easy and very quick during the trip," said Russell. Photo by Heather Benson.



Laid Back. All the canoes came together as Reagan Merriam, Sara Rababy, and Mr. Stebar paddle onto the shore. Photo by Heather Benson.





"International club is a fun way to learn about different cultures. We get to try foods from all different countries. I enjoy finding out about the ways other people live in this world."

-Edwina Covington

The Green Mile. Holding up a "snake" in Chinese tradition, Evan Goian Bell and Edwina Covington participate in their own parade like the Chinese do every year. The Chinese celebrate each New Year with a parade and the International club had one in celebration of the new 2001 year. Photo by Heather Henson.



The Right Stuff. Demonstrating how to eat the Chinese way, Rae-Anne Covington uses chopsticks to eat her food and show the right way to use them in a January meeting. It looks like a simple task to Covington but others may think different. Photo by Heather Benson.

Twirlin'. Trying to find the flag while being blindfolded, Evan Bell struggles t o touch it. Photo by Heather Benson.





nternational

International club is a fun and interesting way to learn about different cultures of the world," said sophomore Jessica Seargeant. "What makes it so fun to be a part of is that when we learn about a specific culture we also get to learn some of their dances, music, and games," she said.

Every month on the first and third Thursday, the International club met to learn about a new culture and way of life. Sponsor Penny Anderson taught the club about the different cultures and did so in an interesting way. Mrs. Anderson dressed up in the cultures' clothes to show what was worn on a typical day by that culture. Teaching a cultures' dances or rituals and bringing in the currency of the culture were also activities that took place during the meetings.

The club learned about twelve cultures all together and students seemed got a lot out of the experience.

"Being in the International club introduced me to different cultures and opened my eyes to the world," said Victoria Nightingale. "Learning about a totally different way of life compared to my own was a really neat experience because there were cultures of people that lived a totally different kind of life than me."

"International club has given me a better insight as to how other people in the world live. Although I do not take it this year, geography has been my favorite subject and I love to travel more than anything so the club fits me," said Kristina Vitek.

Meeting mainly focused on the region and culture of a certain country.

"This club is really fun to be part of. Mrs. Anderson is a cool teacher and leader for this club. Whatever country we learn, we also learn about the food that country eats. I found this club to be very interesting," said Evan Bell.

by Chris Barksdale



Spreadin' the word. Showing the class their Chinese snake, sponsor Penny Anderson explains the significance. Photo by Heather Benson.

Seventy Nine

Doing a kick flip off of a picnic table, senior Jeremy Russell keeps his eye on the ground in order to land on his skateboard standing up. Russell, who has been skating for over three years, is still practicing to learn more of over possible tricks one can do on a skateboard. Photo by Patrick Banville.



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Trying to make her way to the swings, a barefooted Kerri White hitches a piggy-back ride from her close friend Randall Pierce. The seniors were spending time at Loriella Park with their fellow classmates during the senior picnic in September. White and Pierce have been the best of friends for well over years, since they first met in gym class on the second day of tenth grade. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



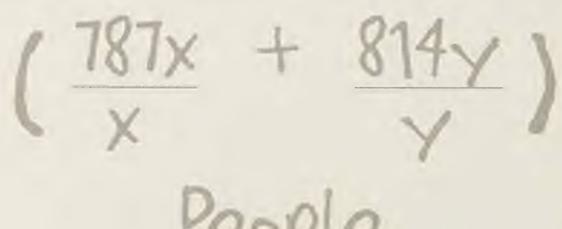
Three Forty Eight

After finding a comfortable spot in the hallway to play, Robert Scott plays various songs on his guitar. Scott, one of Jan juniors, learned to play the guitar as a child and continued playing throughout high school. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





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FIFTY Three

After finding a comfortable reading position, Lee Flanagan relaxes while reading a magazine in the library during his 4th period study hall. Flanagan, who spends most days in the library during 4th period, selects his daily reading from a collection of about 53 magazines available in the library. Photo by Katrina Culpepper.



forty One

Catching some Z's in Mr. Shinberger's 7th period AP History class, Tonia Rutherford naps on her desk at the end of a long day. Rutherford was one of 63 students who signed up for AP history and and one of students who stayed in the class and received credit for the course. Photo by Ryan Nobles.



Getting ready for school one early November morning, Sherri Culpepper uses her bathroom mirror to assist her in carefi.lly curling her hair. Culpepper shares a bathroom with her older sister Katrina, who says it takes Sherri at least 60 minutes every morning to get ready for school. Photo by Katrina Culpepper.

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Number of students in spotsylvania county: 1500. Number of seniors: 286. Number of juniors: 348. Number of sophomores: 438. Number of freshmen: 529. Number of staff members: 165. Number of teachers: 110. Number of students to every teacher; ratio: 14721. Number of Class of '00 graduates: 308. Number of seats in senior courtyard: 69. Number of senior superlatives: 24. Number of people, around school, on average, during any given day of the week: 1717.





Senior Jeremy Russell pumps gas at Wawa on his way to school with his brother, Jon. Gas is a large and frequent senior expense. Photo by Patrick Banville. Fellow seniors Colleen Fowler and Eric Depollo study the price list for Josten's graduation stuff. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Senior Tiffany Clark poses for her senior portraits. Seniors photographed at school didn't have to worry about the \$10 photo substitution fee. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Entering the lecture room, Senior Toni Nichols signs in with a photographer from Segall Majestic. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.





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something unique about my class...

"we're the last class at mhs that has come from all three county high schools" - Sasha Miller • "our class is very smart and will do much in life" - Shannon Voss • " there were no individual cliques, we were all just one big group of friends" -Laura Wunderlich · "we're the first actual class of the new millenium" - Jeanie Losh • "we have the smallest class in the school and most of us have gone to school together all of our lives and are really close knit" - Jo-Al Simmerman • " i think our class has a lot of outgoing people which makes it fun" - Tia Blake

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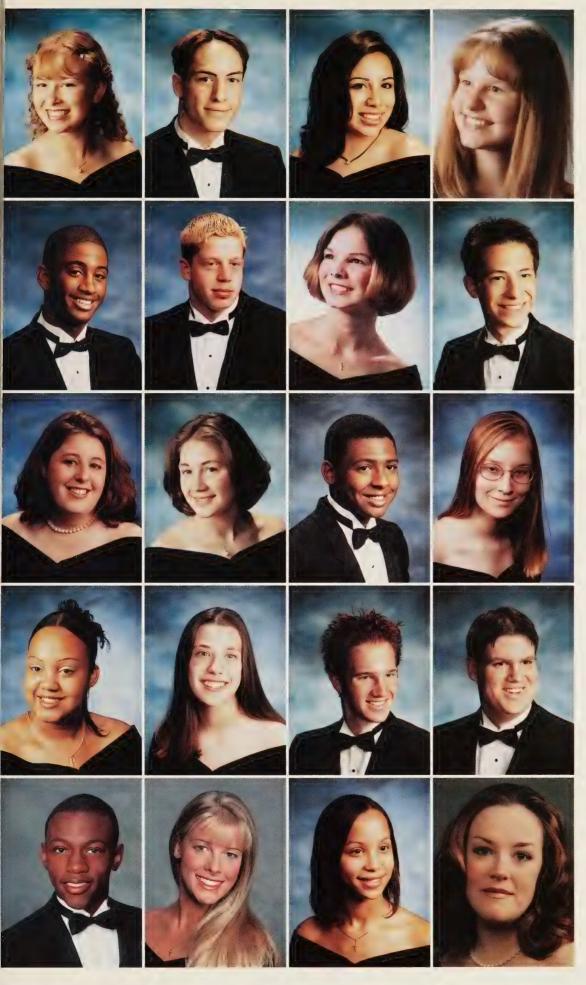
y mid-November senior Allison Gwynn had spent almost \$800 and there were more expenses to come. Gwynn spent \$400 on her senior portraits, and another \$205 on graduation stuff, \$30 on a parking permit, plus college application fees. After forking out all that money, Gwynn felt the \$10 set up charge for submitting a non-school senior picture the yearbook was too much. "On top of everyday things, lab dues, and all my other senior stuff, the additional picture fee seemed excessive," said Gwynn. "School is just too expensive this year."

"I had to pay for everything I bought," said **Carl Iverson**. Iverson spent as little as possible on everything. He spent \$80 on graduation stuff, \$10 for dues, and \$12 on school pictures. Iverson pays for his belongings by working at Taco Bell. "That's why I got the cheapest cap and gown."

Another student, senior **Amanda Ray** didn't mind buying senior stuff. She said she understands the reasons for all the expenses that come with senior year. Ray said that the cost of all the senior stuff is paid for by her parents, not her, so she is not upset at the costs. **by Kelly Romine**



Senior Bridget Benedict searches for the perfect fit for her homecoming dress as Sophomore Nakole Charles looks on. The dance is a huge expense for all students, though Seniors feel the pressure to make their last Homecoming memorable. Photo by Sara Newton.



Club 9,12; Debate Team 12; Chorus 11; Lit. Mag. 12

Stephen Eric Adams. Spanish Club 10; NSHS 12; Wrestling 10-11

Jazmine Danielle Alcazar. Spanish Club 9-10; NSHS 11-12; NAHS 12

Megan Elizabeth Aldrich. Marching Band 11-12; Spanish Club 9-11; Latin Club 12

Katherine Elizabeth Ackley. Spanish

Timothy Raymond Allmond. Basketball 9-12; FBLA 11-12; FCA 11-12
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10; NSHS 11-12; NHS 11-12

Lindsey Bagley

Crystal Lynn Ayres. Peer Mediation 10-12; HOSA 11-12 Emily Lynn Baez. Marching Band 9-10; Soccer 10; NHS 11-12; NSHS 11; Key Club 10-12 Gerardo Bage

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Heather Nicole Benson. SCA 9-10,12; DECA 10-12; Yearbook 12; Class Board 9; German Club 9-10 Mary Elizabeth Benton. Marching Band 9-12: Color Guard 9-12; Yearbook 12 Shana Marie Bethards Lindsay Susan Biddinger. Marching Band 9-12; Latin Club 9-12; Academic Team 9-12; NHS 11-12

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Jason Wade Bonner. Golf 9-12(Captain
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Rebecca Claire Boswell. Drama Club 912; French Club 9-11; English Club 9-10; Lit.
Mao 11-12

Lenora Yvette Bowler. Class Board 9; Basketball 10-11; SCA VP 11; SCA President 12 Letitia Yvonne Bowler

Christal Sherlene Brice. Forensics/
Debate Team 9-10; Step Team 11-12
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Leader 12; FBLA 12
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Megan Alexis Brooks. Class Board 12;
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John Lee Broughton. Spanish Club 10;
Football 9,11-12; Soccer 9-12; Wrestling 11-12
Daniel Heath Brown. Spanish Club 10;
Academic Team 10-12

Jillian Josephine Brown. Marching Band 11-12 Spanish Club 10

Andre Carlisle Burnett. Football 12 Ryan Michael Caltabiano. Spanish Club 10; Track 10; Anime Club 11

Tanecia Dawn Canady. DECA 9-12 (President 12)

Courtney Ann Carter. Softball 9-12 (Captian 10); English Club 10; Spanish Club 9-10

Tiffany Lynn Carty. Volleyball 9,12; Band 9-12; FBLA 10-12; Peer Mediator 11-12; FCA 12

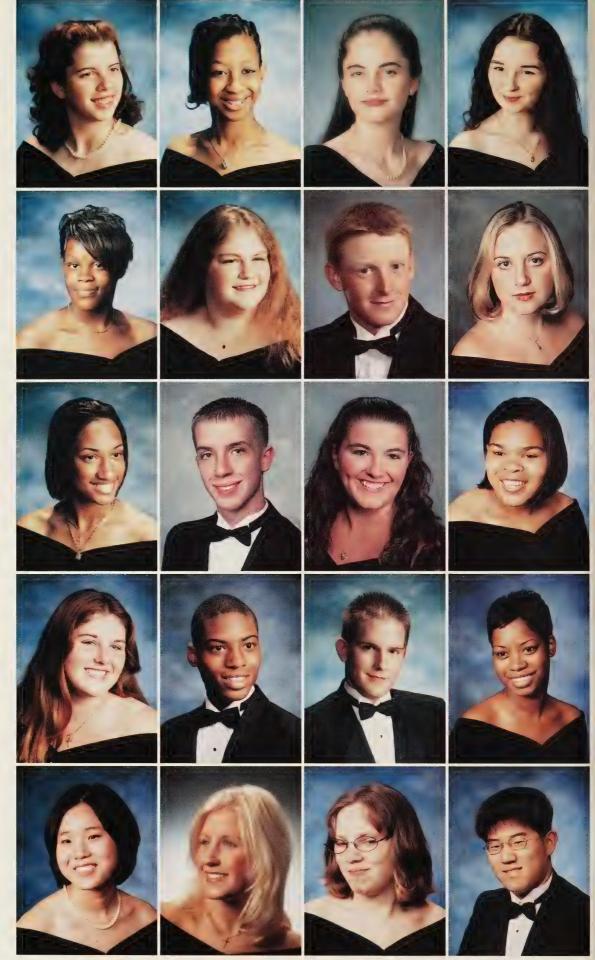
Monica Yuen-Yuen Chan. Spanish Club 11-12; NSHS 12; FBLA 12

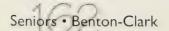
Erin Beth Chapman. Outdoor Track 9-12; Cross Country 9-11; FCA 9-12; NHS 11-12; Indoor Track 9-12

Margaret Jean Charters. FCCLA 11 Hanseb Chong. Academics Club 10,12; Certamen 10,12; Latin Club 9-10,12; NLHS 10,12; VML 9-10,12

David Bradley Clark II. Swim Team 10-12; Tennis Team 10-12; NHS 11-12; NAHS 10-12; French Club 9-11

Tiffany Clark















Seniors Carmen Rios and Kathy Ovard enjoy their lunches in the senior courtyard. Senior Jay Fairchild tries to beat the buses out of the parking lot. Seniors Adam Conner and Valerie Smith try to break up the routine by eating outside. Photos by Laura Weidenbach. Taking advantage of the senior dismissal at 2:28, Kyle Brock waits by his car. Photo by Sara Newton.

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something I learned about privileges...

"only seniors get them, but it isn't that great. i do like the courtyard though." - Tiffany Carty • "you don't get too many to be excited about" - Montanique Garland . "you must earn trust in order to be granted privileges" - Sarah Moran · "they are nothing in the real world, but its nice to avoid certain underclassmen" - Shannon Vitarius • "don't take them for granted, they're still privileges and privileges can be taken away" -Jeanie Losh • "that once you act more [mature], they reward you with privileges" - Tammy Leavy

-TWO MINUTES EARLY

Spot 008, Spot 056, Spot 113, these were the parking spaces of the few, the lucky, the seniors.

A treasured senior privilege was the chance to buy parking permits a week before everybody else. It gave them the best spaces on the lot. Making the walk to and from their car much easier and enjoyable.

"You can leave your house and get to school later because you don't have to walk as far," said senior **Richard Erwin** (spot 032), "thus more sleeping time."

Having a close parking space had its benefits when leaving school as well. "It is nice to be able to leave school two minutes early and to have your car right at the front of the parking lot," senior Jamie Knapp (spot 046) said.

Richard Erwin explained that it is not necessarily good because your spot is better but rather "The satisfaction of knowing that the juniors have to park farther away." by Josh Cox

Adam Ray Conner. Track 9-12; Cross Country 9-12; Indoor Track 9-12; Spanish Club 9-10.12

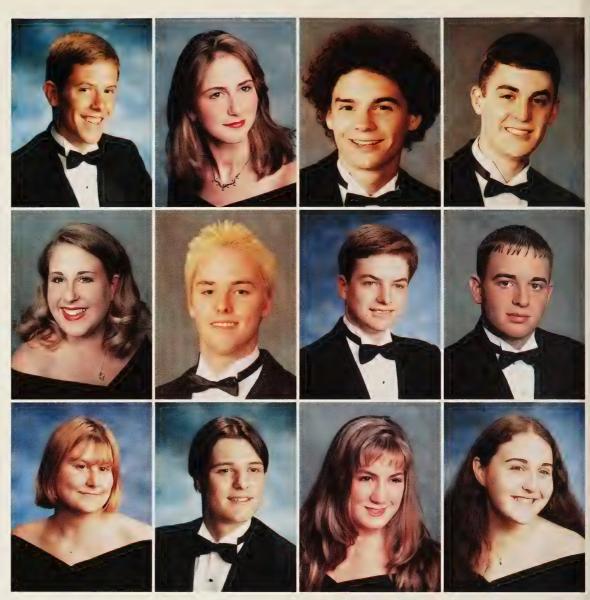
Jessica Marie Cornish Benjamin Edward Cox. Soccer 9-12; Class Board 9-12(Pres. 11-12); Latin Club 9-12; LHS 10-12; Key Club 11-12

Joshua Welch Cox. Class Board 9-12(Pres. 10); NHS 11-12; Key Club 11-12; Soccer 9; Latin Club 9-12

Jennifer Danielle Craig. Class Board 9-12; Cheerleading 9-12; NHS 11-12; Spanish Club 9-10

Ryan Graham Davis Alexander Franklin Deforest Jason Ryan Dempsey. Tennis 9-12; Wrestling 9; Swimming 10-12; SCA 9-12; NHS

Amy Dyann Denniston
Eric James Depollo. Football 9-12;
Wrestling 9-10
Kelly Marie Diaz
Teresa Lynn Diehr. Concert/Performance
Band 9-12; Chess Club 9; Chorus 11



-The ants go marching-

the most fun I had in high school...

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"government class. i sit next to jennifer klarman and we're the two funniest seniors, so we always double team mr. lee" - Adam Conner . "doing the musical review last year" - Allison Gwynn · "cheering in the pep rallies" - Jennifer Craig • "homecoming and prom, it's a blast! i love dressing up because i don't normally get a chance to" - Megan Yoder · "miss jones' field trip in tenth grade. she's the best teacher i've ever had" - Cindy Morris • "the trip to europe two summers ago. a bunch of my friends went and we had a great time. i loved our tour guide bruno " -Monica Chan

needed to do one thing to be allowed, pay their senior dues of \$10. Afterwards, they looked forward to getting out of their first through fourth period classes.

"It was really fun to just let loose and hang out with everyone at the same time," said senior **Christine Tharp**. "The food was really good too."

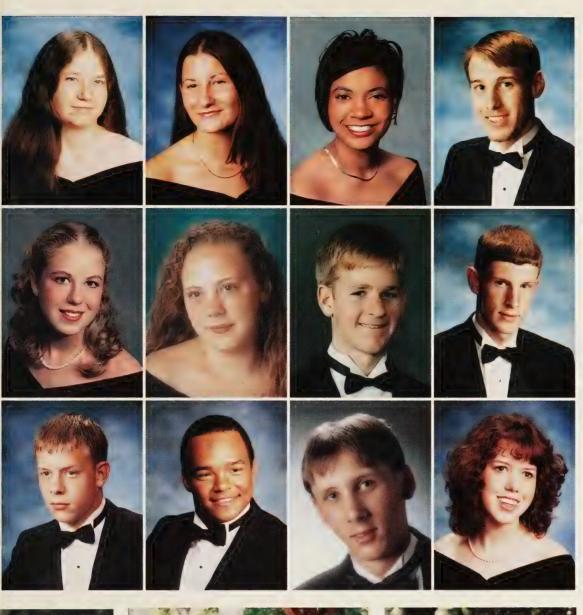
"I heard the word football and jetted to the field where everyone was playing," said senior **Jay Fairchild**.

One group of students did their share of running around but not to catch a football. Mr. Mann's Bio II Seminar entomology project was due soon and those students in his class used the area wisely to look for bugs they needed.

"I caught bugs for my Bio II Project after I ate because Loriella is infested with insects. I caught the 4 beetles I needed," said **Heather Schnell**. **by Laura Wunderlich**







Cynthia Marie Dodd Jessica Anne Dorsey. Basketball 10; Softball 10; Soccer 12 Nicole Lurraine Dowell. Basketball 9; Basketball 10-12; ASL Club 9 Jonathan Michael Dressler

Elizabeth Ann Easley. Tennis 9-12; English Club 10-11; Spanish Club 9-11; NSHS 11-12; NHS 11-12

Michelle Renee Elliott Richard Gerard Erwin. Basketball 9-10; Class Board 11-12; NHS 11-12; FCA 10-12; Latin Club 9-12

Vernon Lee Eustace. Football 9-10,12; Basketball 10; FBLA 12

Ryan Michael Evans. Golf 9,11-12; Basketball 9-10; Track 9 Layton Roy Fairchild. FBLA 11-12; Football 10-12; Basketball 10 Christopher Landon Farmer. Tennis 10-

Ashley Ann Ferren. FCA 9; NHS 11-12; Yearbook(Photo Editor)12; NAHS 12; Key Club 12





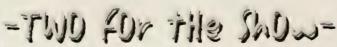


Biology II students Mary Flanigen, Laura Wunderlich, and Sarah Moran catch insects for their entomology projects. Senior Randall Pierce takes advantage of the buffet and fills his plate. Standing together in line, seniors Matt Baumgarten, Leigha Surles, and Tommy Stein get food for themselves. Finally out of the long line, Sasha Miller, Allyson Williams-Mele, and Kim Thomas eat what food they managed to get. Photos by Ashley Ferren.

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something about high I'll never forget...

"most definitely, my friends" - Ginnie Holman • "the snack line lady. although i don't know her name, she always remembered i love chocolate cupcakes with red milk" - Danyell **Smith** • "i always had the top locker that i couldn't reach" - Heather Benson · "the friends i made" -Keleah Souers-Beck • the time we had a bomb threat, we waited in the health room for ten minutes before they came to get us and rush us out to the football field" - Sasha Miller • " i'll never forget anything. each experience has been new, unique, and exciting. it's just been an amazing time" -Jillian Brown



o matter what life brought sophomore Justin Carrico or how far he went, somethings were unforgettable.

One of those things happened in elementary school. "In first grade I met my best friend Joe Bailey and we have been best friends ever since," he said.

Elementary school also held lasting memories for others. Freshman **Reagan Merriam** remembered getting written up in second grade.

"It was nap time and instead of sleeping, I got up and crawled around slapping people in the face," she said "I got in so much trouble."

Sophomore **Ryan Cannington** recalled the time "I got sent to the principal's office for looking up a girl's skirt. I was only in first grade and didn't really know what I was doing," he said.

"Taking what I learned at yearbook camp and applying it to what I do here at school with my photography for the yearbook is what I'll remember," said senior **Ashley Ferren**. **by Laura Moran**





All decked out in their favorite pajamas, seniors Laura Weidenbach and Alicia Prickett participate in a group discussion in Dual Enrollment English. Photo by Mary Benton. Seniors Grace Santiago and Chip Clark being crowned Prince and Princess at their junior prom. Senior class members Ben Cox and Colt Hagmaier carry the class banner in the homecoming parade. Photos by Segall Majestic. Seniors Tim Allmond and Tanecia Canady utilize the tire swing at the senior picnic. Photo by Ashley Ferren.







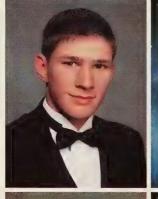








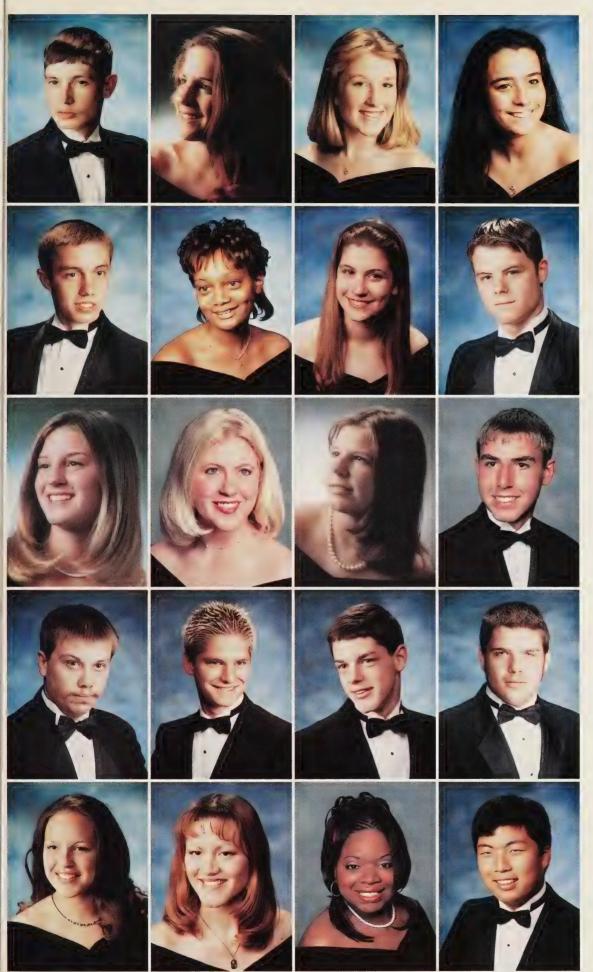












Leah Marie Finley. NSHS 11; Spanish Club 9-10; Track 9; FCA 12; SCA 10 James Wayne Fizer Gregory P Flagg Mary Elizabeth Flanigen. Field Hockey 10-11; Soccer 9-10; Key Club 9,12; Yearbook 11-12; Class Board 11

April Lynn Flath Toni Lee Fleming

Colleen Marie Fowler. Color Guard 9-12; Winter Guard 9-12; Spanish Club 11; SADD 10-11 Jeremiah James Frazier. Band 9; German Club 9 Justin Andrew Fuqua Montanique Shante Garland Melissa Nichole Garofano Michael Colby Goetz. Track 10,12; Spanish Club 10-12; NSHS 12; English Club 10-11

Natasha Marie Gonzalez. Spanish Club 10-11; FCCLA 10-11; NSHS 12; Color Guard 9 Jennifer Nicole Greenfield Ashley Ann Greer. Latin Club 9; Basketball 9-12; Book Club 12 Holly Ann Guelig Allison Laura Gwynn. Spanish Club 9-10; Interact Club 11; Drama Club 10-12; Key Club 9 William Coltan Hagmaier. Spanish Club 9-10; NSHS 11-12; NHS 11-12; Key Club 12; FCA 10-12

James Hunter Hairfield. Baseball 9-12; Basketball 9 Jennifer Marie Hamilton. Spanish Club 9-11; Marching Band 10-11; German Club 10; Drama Club 10

Ashley Conrad Harding Jordan Hathcock. Basketball 9,11-12 Timothy Charles Hepp Thomas John Hetman

Jonathan Clay Hetrick
Stephanie Erin Holland. Soccer 9-12; FBLA
10,12; JFS 9-12; SCA 9-12; Spanish Club 11-12
Ginnie Marie Holman. SCA Treasurer 9; SCA
Secretary 10; FBLA 11; NAHS 12; Key Club 12
Alberta N Hoshaw
Takeya Lashawn Howard
Nicholas Patrick Hunter. Marching Band 9-12;
German Club 9-10



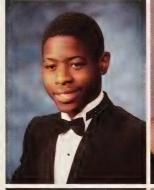
Friends and fellow seniors Renee Keeler and Leigha Surles talk during marching band practice. Members began practicing in early August to prepare for the upcoming school year. Photo by Mary Benton. Seniors Laconia Scott and Letitia Bowler compare notes in class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. At a gymnastics team meeting, senior Kerri White and junior Angela Dietz make plans for the upcoming season. Photo by Leigha Surles. Senior Jay Fairchild gives fellow senior Jen Greenfield a much needed back rub at the end of Spanish class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.







Carl Lee Iverson. Basketball 9-12; FBLA 12 Crystal Nicole Johnson. FCCLA 12; FBLA 11 Destini Caprice Jones Ian Alexander Kaila. Soccer 9-12; Wrestling 9-12; NHS 11-12









Krystal Marie Kasen. Drama Club 10-11 Renee Frances Keeler. Marching Band 9-12; Winter Guard 9-12; Academic Team 9-12; Latin Club 9-11; Drama Club 10-12 Jennifer Teresa Klarman. Yearbook 10-12(Editor; 12); English Club 10-11; Marching Band 10-11; Latin Club 9-10; Drama Club 9-10

Jamie Morgan Knapp. NAHS 10-12; NHS 11-12; Latin Club 9-11; Academic Team 10-12









Michelle Diane Krier. Indoor Track 9-12; Spring Track 9-12; NAHS 11-12 Tammy Christine Leavy Anthony Joseph Lee. Cross Country 10-11; Track 10; NSHS 11; English Club 10 Tara Jeannine Lee. Softball 9-10; Marching Band 11-12









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something I learned about friendship...

"true friends can be hard to find but they're definitely worth the search," - Jen Klarman • "it takes trust and honesty to keep a friend" - Kelly Romine • "they're easier to find than to keep," - Colby Goetz . "sometimes the best friends are people you never even expected to become friends with in the first place," - Cami Thompson . "when you become single, you find that more and more girls start wanting to be your friend" - Randall Pierce • "it's fleeting but strong. friendship can be very much alive, even if the person isn't there" -Claire Boswell

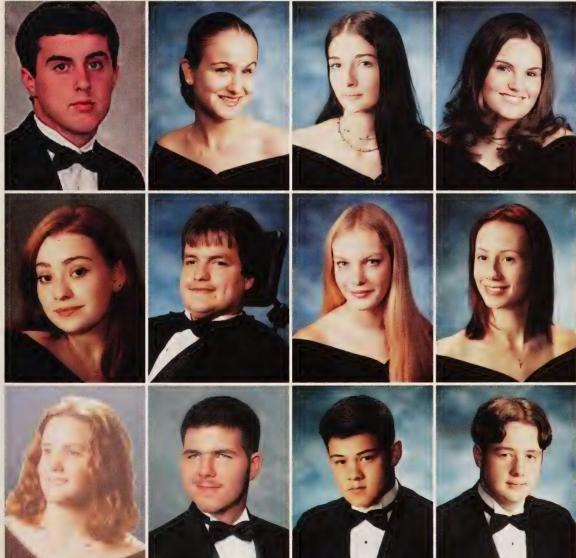
-friends 4ever?-

Seniors Amanda Antosh and Ashley Greer kept their friendship strong over the years. The two met through mutual friends in sixth grade and had been close ever since.

"We've always been different, but as we got older the differences stood out more. But knowing that no matter what happens, we can turn to each other for anything keeps us friends," said Antosh.

Senior Matt Whitman also had a best friend for several years. "We've [moved apart], but that just means that we appreciate the time we do spend together more," he said. Whitman and his best friend, Luke Rhodes, attended different high schools. The two met when they were assigned seats next to each other in sixth grade.

"We don't have to be stuck together like glue to still be close. We can live our own lives together as friends," said Antosh. by Kelly Romine



Benjamin Dane Lewis. Soccer 9-12; French Club 11; SNAPS 11; Peer Mediator 12; Basketball 9-10 Mabel Lizawaga Danielle Dawn Lloyd Jeanie Marie Losh. Yearbook 11-12, (Community Editor 12)

Amanda Marie Magrino Michael J Maiden Vera Masselinli. Drama Club 12 Casey Jean McDonald

Jessica Gwendolyn McDonald. Soccer 10-12; Field Hockey 10-12; Spanish Club 10-12; Key Club; 10,12; Yearbook 10-12(Editor 12)

James Walker McGhee. Marching Band 9-12; NHS 11-12; FCA 9-12; Jazz Band 10,12; Spanish

Gabriel Jean McLain. Football 9-12(Captain 12); SCA 10; NHS 10-12

Thomas Joseph McNally. Drama Club 10-12; Latin Club 9-11; Certamen 9-11; Academic Team 12

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Shelly Christine Michael. Track 9-11; Basketball 9-10; Step Team 10; Choir 10 Vedran Miletic. Multicultural Club 9; SNAPS 10; FFA 11-12 Josh C Millaway. FBLA 12

Sasha Brooke Miller. Jazz Band 9,11-12; NSHS 11-12; NHS 11-12

Tanisha Latrice Montague. Step Team 11-12; DECA 11-12; SCA 10; Basketball 9

Demetrius Deventor Moore

Sarah Kathleen Moran. Soccer 11-12; Field Hockey 10-11; Spanish Club 10-12; Key Club 10,12; Yearbook 10-12 (Editor 12)

Cynthia Dawn Morris. Softball 10; SADD Pres 11; Lit. Mag. 11-12; VML 10-12; SCA 9,12

Angela Lynn Morrison

Jonathan Richard Morrow. Soccer 9-12; Swim Team 10-12; Class Board 10-12; NHS 11-12

Christen Danielle Mueth

David Wayne Newton. Golf 9-12; Spanish Club 9-10; NSHS 11; Tennis 10-12; FBLA 12

Toni Tenille Nichols. Softball 9; Cheerleading 12; FCCLA 12; Class Board 9

Colten William Osterman. Baseball 10-12 Kathryn Ovard. Cross Country 9-12; NSHS 11-12; Indoor/Outdoor Track 9-11

Erica Marie Paredes Von Oeyen. NFFA President 11; Chorus 10, 12; NSHS 11-12; Tennis 10-12; Field Hockey 10

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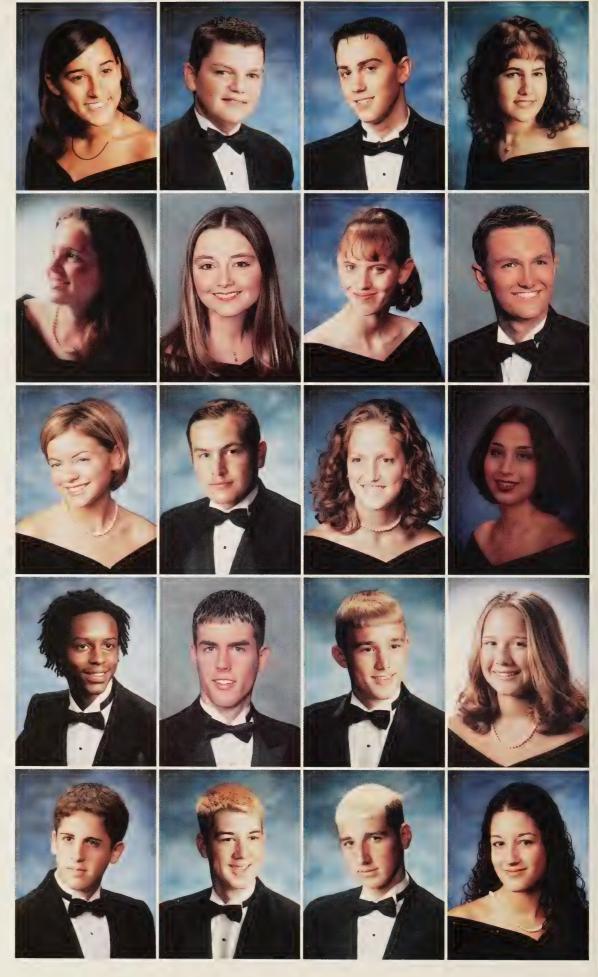
Marquis Brandon Peace Todd David Pickering David Randall Pierce. Soccer 9-12; NHS 11-12; Class Board 11-12; Yearbook 10-12(Editor in Chief; 10-12); FCA 10-12

Alicia Ellen Prickett. Cheerleading 9-12; Competition Cheerleading 11-12; NSHS 11-12; NHS 11-12; Class Board 10-12

Joshua Paul Rawe Amanda James Ray

Brandon Robert Rehberg Ryan Daniel Rhea. FFA 9; FBLA 12 Sean David Rhea Carmen Rios. Basketball 9; NSHS 11-12; Peer Midiator 12; SCA 12; FCA 12 Richard Randall Rivas

Kelly Cathleen Romine. Tennis 9-12; Field Hockey 10-12; Key Club 9,12; Yearbook 12; Spanish Club 10





















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something about high I'll miss...

"most definitely, track. everyone has a certain area to shine and i think track was mine" - Lawrence Suggs · "porkette"- Brandon Rehberg • "the bandwidth to the internet" Anthony Lee • "my friends" - Laconia Scott • "the 'keep moving' signs. it's always good to laugh," - Tim Hebb . "seeing the people i have grown up with all my life everyday and all of the familiarity of home," - Jo-Al Simmerman • "everyone" -Ionathan Morrow • "freshman girls" - Dane Lewis • "the simplicity of this place. its predictability is what i'll miss" -Allyson Williams-Mele



igh school didn't last forever, but the memories made there did.

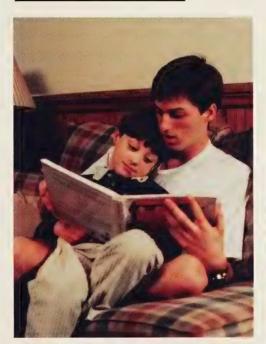
"Friends are what you'll miss the most," said senior **Theresa Diehr**. "You've been with them for so many years and built this bond. It's sad to think that after you graduate you won't see them everyday. Even the people that you only talk to in school still mean something, because they were there with you to share the same experience," she said.

Aside from peers, teachers had a great impact. They made senior **Amanda Sciandra** learn things about herself and the adult word.

"I had one teacher who really affected me. She made me realize my dreams and sent me on my way to achieve them," she said.

Eventually, it all must come to an end.

"You walk these halls and think, people stepped here before me and people will step here after me. It's not so much high school itself you'll miss, it's leaving behind a part of your life...youth," Diehr said. by Heather Benson





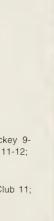


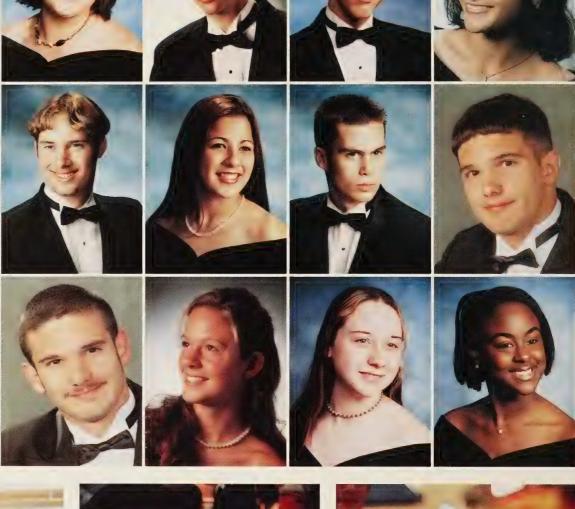
Taking his role of big brother seriously, J.P. Yurgel reads an alphabet book to little brother Seth. "I always try to take time out of my schedule to spend quality time with Seth." Hanging up her khaki's after doing laundry, Elizabeth Easely benefits from her parents washer/dryer. "Even though I hate doing laundry, at least it's free," said Easely. Following their last Homecoming Dance, seniors Kathy Ovard and Toni Nichols go with friends to Hooters for a midnight snack before partying some more at Richard Erwin's house. Photos by Laura Weidenbach.

Kathryn Rose Jeremy Bruce Russell Donald Robert Ruyts Elizabeth Sabu. French Club 9-11; English Club 10; NAHS 10-12 Academic Team 10-11; FCA 12

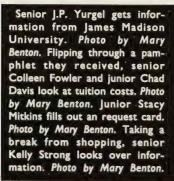
Michael Anthony Sampson Grace Marie Santiago. Soccer 10-12 Jonathan Neal Satterwhite. FCA 9-12 Joseph Francis Scelzo

Michael Robert Scelzo
Heather Marie Schnell. Field Hockey 912; Soccer 9-10; Class Board 10; SCA 11-12;
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Amanda Sciandra. Gymnastics 9
Laconia Scott. JFS 9-12; Spanish Club 11;

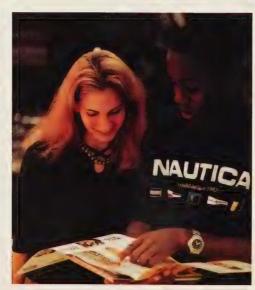




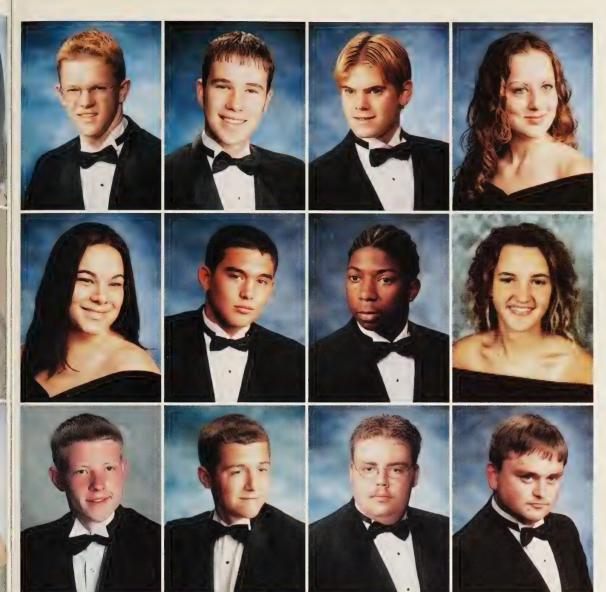












Justin Wayne Seal Philip Samuel Seidman Bryan Todd Shatzer Jr. Marching Band 9-10 Rosa Sheets. Chorus 10,12

Desiree Sherfield Andrew Yong Shin. Soccer 9-12; Basketball 9-10; Latin Club 9-11; Class Board 10; SADD 10-11 Agee Showers Jo-Al Marissa Simmerman. Soccer 9-

12; Cheerleading 9-11; Field Hockey 12;

Yearbook 10-12; SCA 9-12

Charles Neil Simmons
Troy Allan Simpson. Soccer 9-12; FCA
11-12; Latin Club 10-12; Key Club 12
Steven Lewis Sisson
Nicholas Keith Smith. Key Club 9; English
Club 10; SADD 9; Anime Club 11



something you should consider when choosing a college is ...

"there has to be female specimen's there" - Lawrence Suggs · "it's not easy! it's nerve-wrecking, sometimes you don't want to go" - Megan **Brooks** • "start as early as possible, you will have a better senior year" -Jazmine Alcazar • "start early, you don't want to get caught up in other business and end up staying in fredericksburg" Brandon Rehberg · "make your own decisions. don't let anybody, even guidance, tell you where to go" - Joey Payton • "the campus and its surroundings. the overall feeling of the environment is important." -Troy Simpson

=THREE 2 get Ready=

By October 20, senior Claire Boswell had been seriously looking at colleges for six months. College night, held at the mall, was a logical place for her to go to further research schools she was interested in.

"I went to college night to check out VCU [Virginia Commonwealth University], which has a great drama program. I've pretty much always known I would go there and after talking to the representative, I realized that the school was more or less perfect for me," said Boswell. After visiting the campus Boswell said, "I'm pretty much all about VCU now. It's in Richmond, and I love Richmond."

Senior Cindy Morris however, looked at colleges for over three years. She went to college night to narrow down her list of possibilities. "I was interested in five or six schools, but I wanted to knock a couple off the list before application time. So college night seemed like a good idea," she said, "It helped me decide that I really want to go to George Mason University. It's far enough from my parents to give me a little freedom, but close enough so that I can always go home," Morris said. by Jenni Ziegler

some advice for the freshman...

"don't mess up your first few years because you'll regret it later," -Montanique Garland · "don't be afraid to be yourself and stand up for what you believe," - Krystal Kasen . "work hard in the beginning so that you can reap the benefits later on" - Anthony Lee • "don't worry and do your homework!," Tim Hepp • "don't hide in the shadows of other people. get involved. the only way to have the time of your life in high school is to be active in your school," - Jessica McDonald . "stay out of our way. when you're seniors you'll understand ." -Mary Benton

-Words 2 the fresh-

here comes a time for seniors to pass on wisdom to those underclassmen in need of it, that moment had arrived.

One key piece of knowledge was the secret to receiving a good lunch.

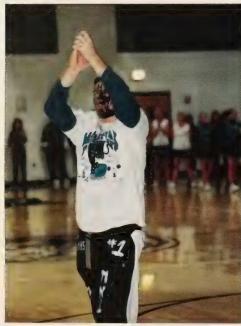
"Become friends with the lunch ladies," said Ben Cox, "Then they give you more food and let you get away with cutting in line."

"When it is Porkette Day get a double lunch," said T.J. McNally.

An underclassman must be careful on this sacred day, however. Two tasty porkettes can sometimes be a double-edged sword as they "might put you to sleep," said James Blackburn.

Another piece of advice was to enjoy one's high school years.

"Don't do something for the sole reason of getting into college. Do it because you want to and it is fun," said Cami Thompson. by Josh Cox



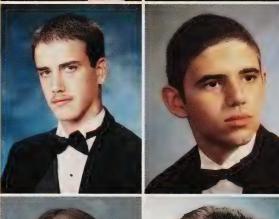




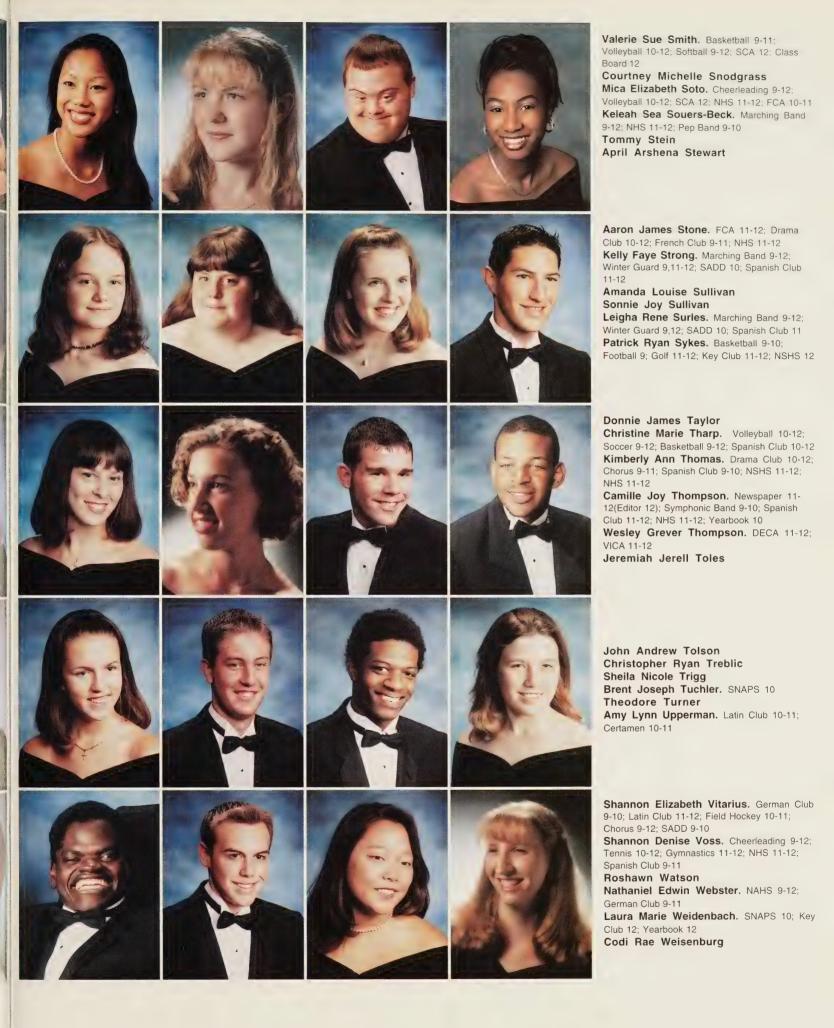


Senior Jason Dempsey encourages fellow students to vote for him in the spirit competition at the homecoming pep rally. Photo by Ashley Ferren. FBLA members Ryan Rhea and Carl Horton work on the homecoming banner. Photo by Mary Benton. Government student Shannon Voss puts up posters around school for the election. Photo by Colleen Fowler. AP English 12 students Cindy Morris and Andrew Shin write using magnetic poetry. Photo by Jenni Ziegler.









Jeremy Rashawn Wells. JFS 9-12; FBLA 10,12 Robert William Wentz Kerri Rachelle White Byron Witlow

Matthew Benjamin Whitman. Drama Club 9-12; Baseball 9-10,12 Allyson Marie Williams-Mele. Latin Club 9-10; NAHS 9-12; NHS 11-12; Football Manager 9-10 Cherish Victoria Willis

Adam Fletcher Wisniewski

Nathan Randall Witwer Rebecca Ann Woodfolk. Step Team 11; FCCLA 11-12; FBLA 9-10, 12 Kenneth Charles Wooten. NAHS 11-12; NHS 11-12 Sherry Annette Wright

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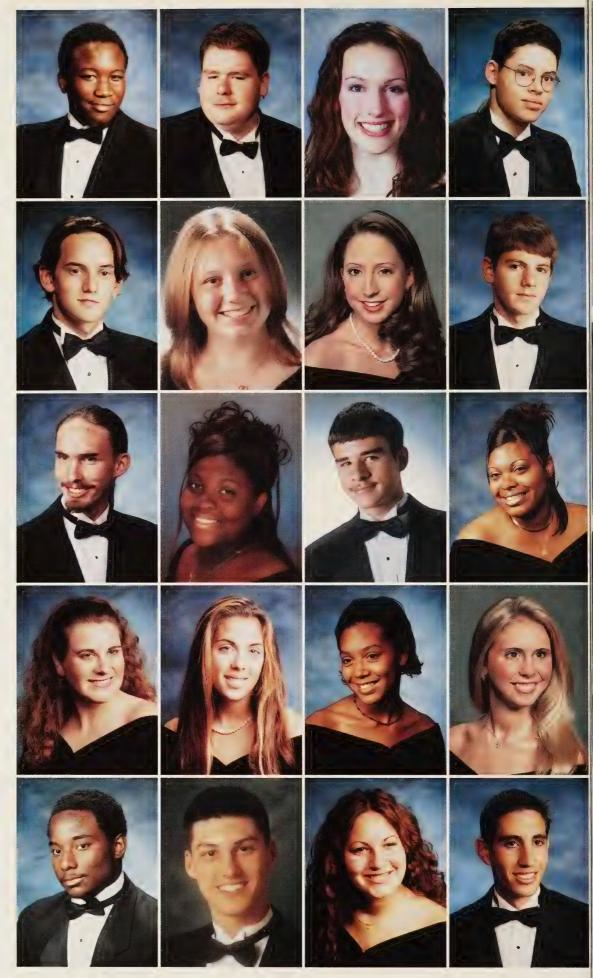
Megan Ann Yoder. SCA 9-11; Softball 10, 12; SADD 10; Key Club 11-12; English Club 10-11

Vincent Anthony Young. Football 9-12; Baseball 9

James Paul Yurgel. SCA 9-12; Spanish Club 9-10; NSHS 11; Swimming 10; Track 10

Jennifer Elizabeth Ziegler. Yearbook 10-12 (Editor 12); English Club 10-11; Spanish Club 9-10; Lit. Mag. 12; Class Board 10

Demetrios Zotos











In Graphic Communications class, juniors J.R. Waller, Jessica Loyal, and Brandon Hicks work on the computer. They were assigned a Christmas card project to spice up their daily routine. Junior Alan Arrington studies the equipment in his electronics class. Junior Lazhai Stewart styles the hair of her dummy head in cosmetology class at the vocational center. Senior Ved Miletic practices drawing in his Drafting class. The class uses light boxes to illuminate their drawings. Photos by Ashley Ferren.



Junior Brittney Ralph practices hair styles on partner, junior Hillary Cox. The two then switched positions and Ralph became the guinea pig. *Photo by Ashley Ferren*.

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Seniors Jessica Cornish, Jason Davis and Wes Thompson did not plan to head off to college in the fall.

Senior Wes Thompson planed to go into the army and then let them pay for his college education in a few years.

Jason Davis wanted to take over his father's business, Davis Disposal

"Rightnowmy dadisjustshowing meal the basics of owning and running the business. I'll take overwhen he retires," Davis said. "If I ever sell the business, then I'll go to college and do something else," headded.

Senior Jessica Comishsaved money for her undecided future. She may go to college some day, but Comish planed to have a full time job when she go to utof high school.

"Youhaveyearsaheadofyouandplentyoftimetogo tocollege. Butfirst, I want to takea little break and have a little fun," said Cornish. by Heather Benson

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what I want to be when I grow up...

"a journalist," - Cami Thompson • "an ordained minister," Shannon Vitarius • "happy with wherever life places me," - Kimberly Thomas • "a lottery winner," - Andrew Shin • "rich," Dane Lewis • "a writer," Danyell Smith • "a person satisfied with life," - Nathan Witwer • "i want to be a computer engineer.iwanttotryitandmakesomething ofmyself, sowhen we have our dass reunion. ican come here and everyone will be like wow she madesomething ofherself," - Tia Blake • "happy," - Jenni Ziegler • "i've always wanted to be an elementary school teacher," - Mary Flanigen •



































unior girls celebrate. Amanda Heiman's birthday. Photo by Mrs. Sullivan. Sopho-more Samantha Green reads her invitation to a birthday party. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Junior boys smile for the camera. Photo by Mrs. Gillespie. Twins Letitia and Lenora Bowler share their 18th birthday. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

-Things 2 Antic

eptember 9 was junior Jay Morris' sixteenth birthday. He had already taken behind the wheel and received his license, so on his birthday Morris "drove around all day" in his new truck.

Twins David and Erin Watson celebrated their sixteenth birthday with friends at junior Zac Shaw's house. Shaw had their party in his basement because of the number of people that were invited.

"It was a cool night because everyone got the chance to meet a lot of new people," said Erin.

Junior Juan Rosas received a speeding ticket for running a stop sign two days after his sixteenth birthday.

"It seemed like a nightmare. Getting a ticket right after I got my license was horrible, but I got over it," he said.

Senior Sean Rhea felt differently after his eighteenth birthday.

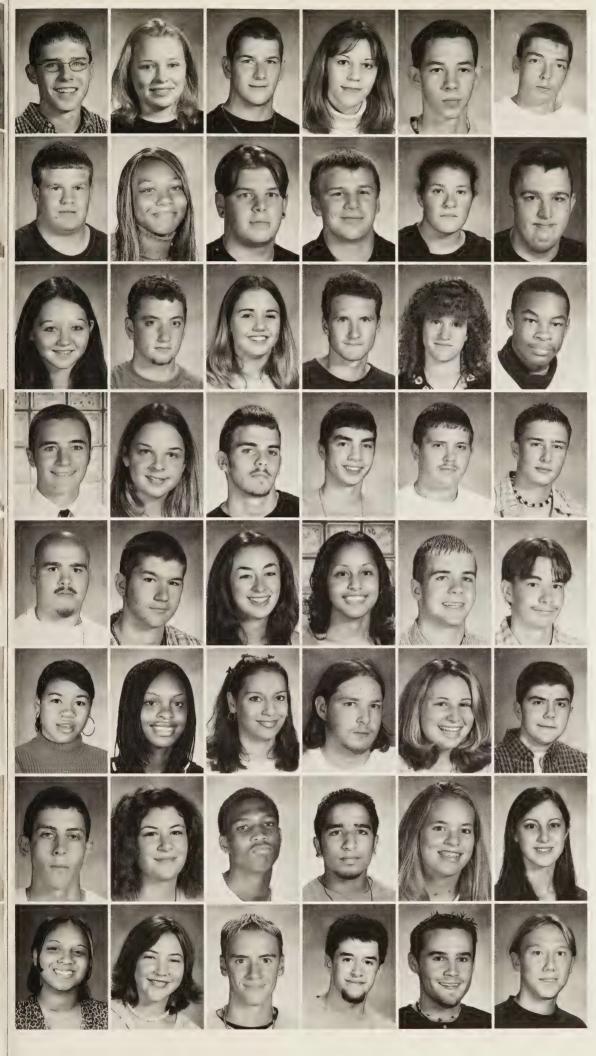
"I feel older now that I'm eighteen. Not just older like I had another birthday, it feels different than that. It's like I crossed this boundary line and now I'm an adult," he said.

"I wasn't expecting anything special for my eighteenth birthday," said senior Claire Boswell, "but I found out the day before that my parents and some of my friends were throwing me a surprise party. Even though I knew about it I still had a great time."

Senior Lee Eustace wanted to turn eighteen to experience the privileges that came with it.

"I'm glad that I finally turned eighteen because now I can go to clubs," he said.

by Steven Knight



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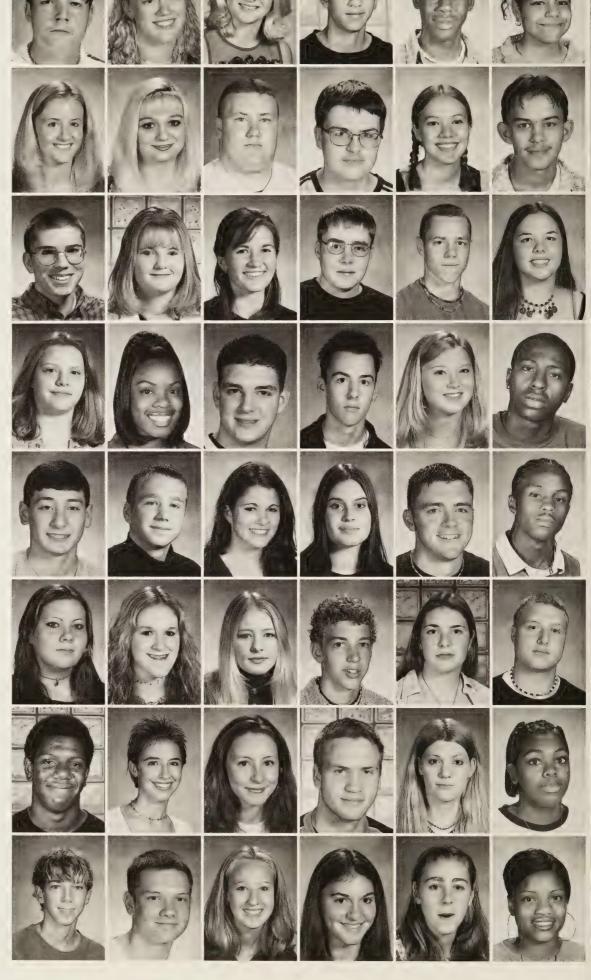
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-Report for 65 on 95-

Sophomore Brian Snodgrass couldn't believe the time had finally arrived. He had counted down the days for the past month and the wait was finally over, it was his sixteenth birthday.

"It was pretty cool driving to school after having had to ride with my sister for the past two years. It was weird getting into the car though and not having anybody with me," Snodgrass said. "I got used to it in just a couple days and now I wouldn't want anyone with me."

Sophomore Matty Van Allen experienced the same anticipation as Snodgrass, but was lucky enough to receive his license much earlier.

"I got my license at the beginning of the year and I have been driving to school ever since then," Van Allen said. He only had one complaint, "It's [bad] because I bought the parking permit pretty late in the year and now my parking spot is all the way in the back near the football field. It's really far away. But I guess that's alright, I mean it's definitely better than riding the bus," he said.

After being in two accidents in a short period of time, senior **Jeremy Russell** wished the only bad thing he had to deal with was a far away parking space and a long walk.

"It [was really bad] getting into two accidents because I had points put on my license. I also had to go to a driving school for a week, and that wasn't cool. I wish I could go back and change what happened, I definitely would have been more careful," he said.

by Laura Moran





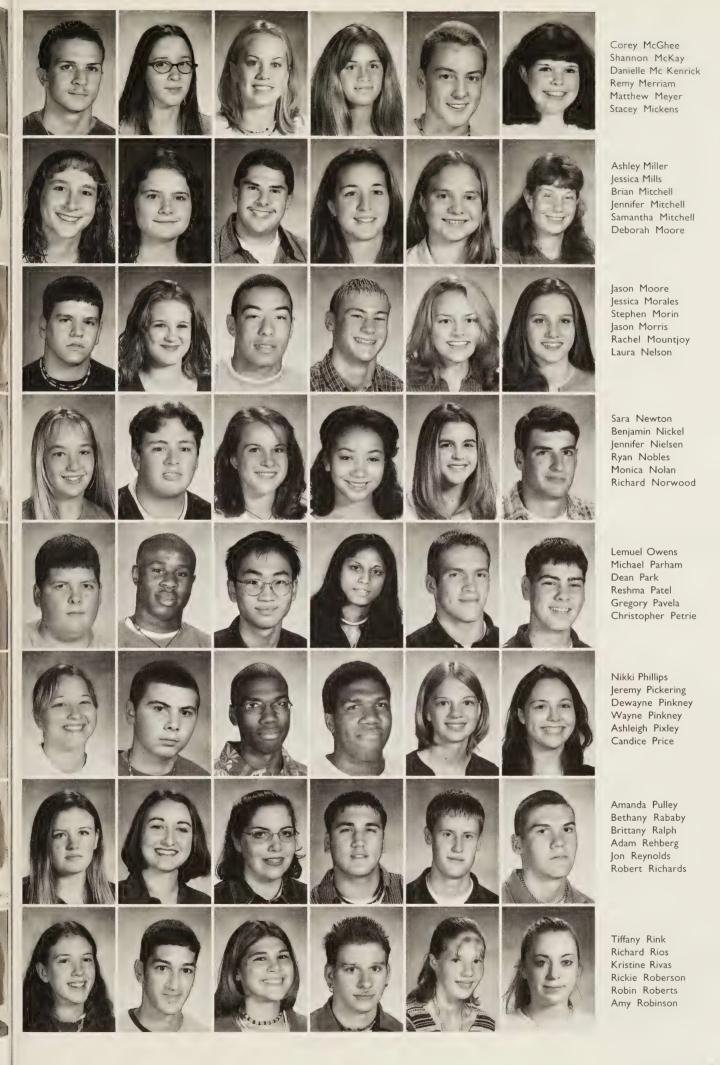




Laughing at a joke, sophomore Sara Newton makes her way out of the parking lot after a long day of school. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. After a long day of school, junior Anne Payne Bullock stops to chat with sophomore Katie Nissley before heading home. Photo by Sara Newton. Waiting for the buses to leave the parking lot after school, juniors Mike Bragg and Jay Morris sit in Morris' truck. Morris has been driving since early September. Photo by Sara Newton. Before heading to practise, junior Allen Arrington stops at his carto get his baseball equipment. Photo by Sara Newton.

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-Someone Gets A Mag-

unior Krysten Smith spent \$270 on a high school memory that she cherished, she bought a class ring. Smith decided on a blue stone and purchased the class ring with out hesitation.

"I was very satisfied. I will probably wear it for the rest of my life. It is one of my favorite rings," she said.

Junior Matt Gillespie spent even more on his class ring. Gillespie's parents paid for the \$350 white gold ring with a blue stone.

"I was satisfied with the ring itself, but it's just not comfortable so I don't wear it," said Gillespie. "I bought the ring to remember high school by."

Junior **Jessica Mills** was also able to purchase the ring of her choice. Mills picked a white gold ring with an amethyst stone. Mills' parents paid \$275 for her class ring.

"I'm very happy with the choice I made because it shows all my accomplishments throughout high school and

also my personality" said Mills. "I plan on keeping it forever," she said.

"My class ring was exactly what I wanted," said junior Amanda Liepelt.

Liepelt's parents paid for the \$290 ring. She was very satisfied with her ring until she noticed that the white gold ring had caused an allergic reaction around her ring finger. Liepelt planned on getting a different metal for her ring and keeping that one for a long time.

For junior Amanda Heiman class rings are something that last forever.

"It is something that I can remember high school by when I'm old and gray," said Heiman. "I can show my children and grandchildren my class ring as well as my yearbook so they can see what I was like when I was in high school," she said. "It's cool to have something like that to have forever."

by Kelly Romine







Junior Jeremy Hayes gets his ring sized at the class ring table. Photo by Erica Thomas. Senior Cami Thompson wears her class ring as she waits for teacher and classmates at the Virginia High School League Publication Workshop held at Virginia Commonwealth University. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Junior Frankie Beicher chooses from an array of rings in the class catalog during lunch. Jostens had ring displays available during all lunch shifts. Photo by Erica Thomas.























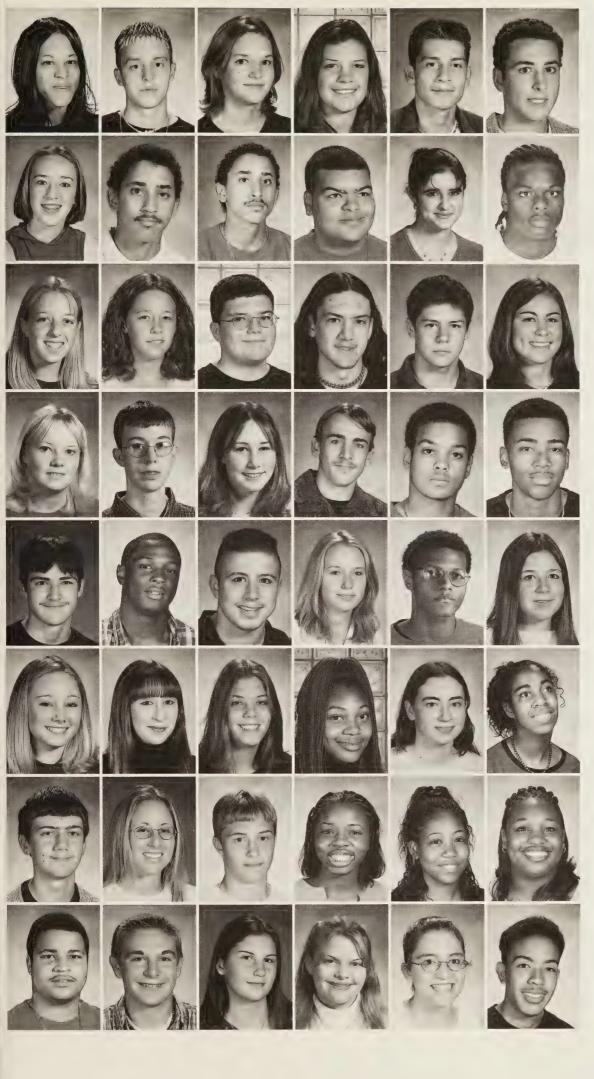












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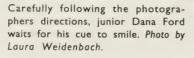












Waiting to go backstage to take their pictures, Allison Brooks and Jeanelle Allmond goof off with friends. "For picture day I always make sure that I look my best so that my picture turns out well in the yearbook," said Allmond. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.









Sitting patiently, sophomore Caroline Smith waits for the photographer to take her school picture. "I usually care about picture day, but for some reason this year I forgot. was having a bad hair day and everything so was mad for forgetting, but the pictures turned out okay," said Smith. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Sophomore Mindy Benedict sits as still as possible and smiles as the photographer takes her picture. "Picture day isn't a big deal to me. I don't pick out a special outfit or do my hair a special way, I just come to school and get my picture taken," she said. "I don't understand why some people get so worked up about it. Picture day is just like every other day." Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Posing for his school picture, sophomore Steven Smallwood takes directions from the photographer. "Picture day is just another day to me. I don't do anything to prepare for it and I don't worry about how they're going to turn out," Smallwood said. "I don't think twice about what to wear because doesn't matter to me." Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

-Smile 4 the Calvera-

o sophomore Megan Barley, picture day was nerve-wracking. It was the day she wanted to look her best, had every hair in place, and had that shining smile.

"I think picture day is so stressful. I want my outfit and hair to be perfect. I worry about the pictures so much, that by the time I take them they don't turn out that well," said Barley.

"To me picture day is just another day," said sophomore **Candice Page**. "I don't really prepare that much. I pick out my outfit the night before but that's about the only thing I do special."

"The only thing I worry about is what my picture will look like," said junior Josh Hayes. "After all, the picture does go in the yearbook and that's what everyone looks back on."

Unlike Hayes, junior **Mike Wright** didn't worry about how his picture was going to turn out.

"I don't really mind how my pictures turn out because people see how I look everyday in school," he said. "I try to prepare for them a little bit so they turn out good for my mom, but otherwise I really don't think about it."

by Melanie Williams

- DYEaMS OF 1600

cause he felt they were mandatory for the college bound student. He took the SAT prep class because he "isn't very good in math."

"Mr. Burner helped me out a lot and made it all very easy to learn. I think I now have an advantage over the other students who took the SAT's and did not take the course. When I took the test in January, I was definitely ready and I was much more confident than I was before," he said.

Senior Todd Pickering was actually surprised by the difficulty of the test.

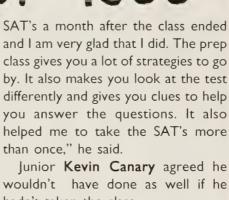
"SAT's were a little harder than I expected because there was a lot of vocabulary I didn't know. I took the

unior Josh Hayes took the SAT's be SAT's a month after the class ended and I am very glad that I did. The prep class gives you a lot of strategies to go by. It also makes you look at the test differently and gives you clues to help you answer the questions. It also helped me to take the SAT's more

hadn't taken the class.

"I took the SAT prep class to improve my skills on the test. I know I wouldn't have done as well without this class. My weakest area is vocabulary, but because of the class I am more confident than I was before."

by Caroline Smith



















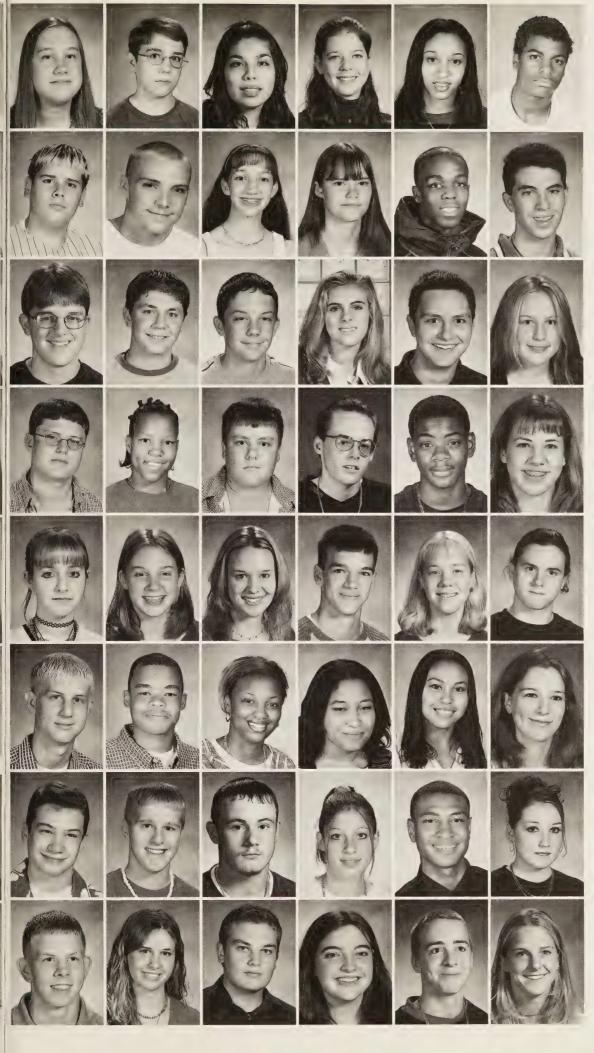








Junior Andrew Simms listens intently in his SAT Prep class. The class was designed to help students prepare for the test to insure best performance and higher scores. Juniors Jennifer Adkins and Sarah Walden share a laugh while having a discussion in their SAT Prep class. Junior Carolyn Zidek takes the SAT Prep class to prepare herself for the real test. Senior Lee Eustace takes a break from his work in his SAT Prep class, he talks to a friend across the room. Photos by Ryan Nobles.



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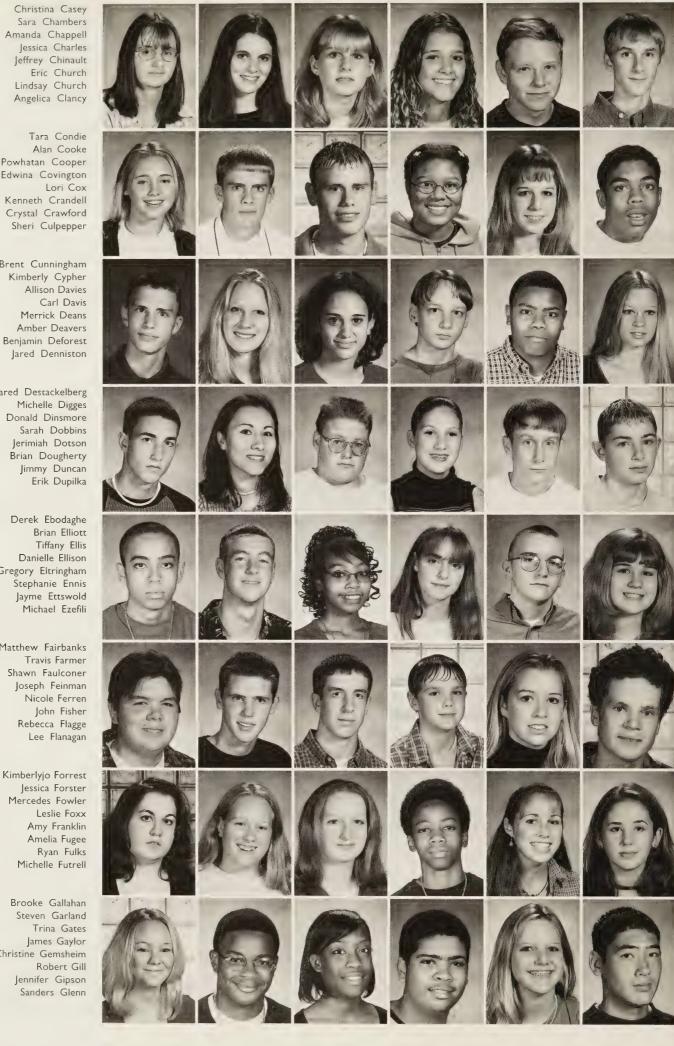
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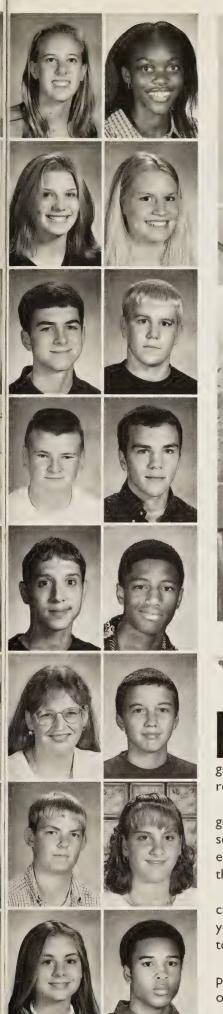
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Closing up her trunk Alicia Prickett gets ready to leave after fifth period. Nicole Trigg puts her books into the back of her car. Trigg leaves after fourth period to go to work at Best Buy. Opening the door to his van, Sean Rhea gets ready to leave for the day. Photos by Mary Benton. Getting ready to leave Crystal Ayers calls around to see what her plans are for the rest of the day. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

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Before the final bell rang at 2:30 p.m., senior Amanda Ray had already left school grounds. She was a part of the early release program.

Students involved with the program were granted permission by the school administration and their parents to leave school before the end of the day.

"Having a job helps me pay for my car. With college coming up next year, I need to save some money too," Ray said.

Senior **Jason Davis** had a completely different reason for getting out of school early.

"I am preparing to take over the family business. My father will retire

in two years, and my brother and I will handle all the responsibilities of owning the business. I think my training and working there are preparing me more for my future than school is right now," he said.

Senior Alicia Prickett however, did not leave school early to work.

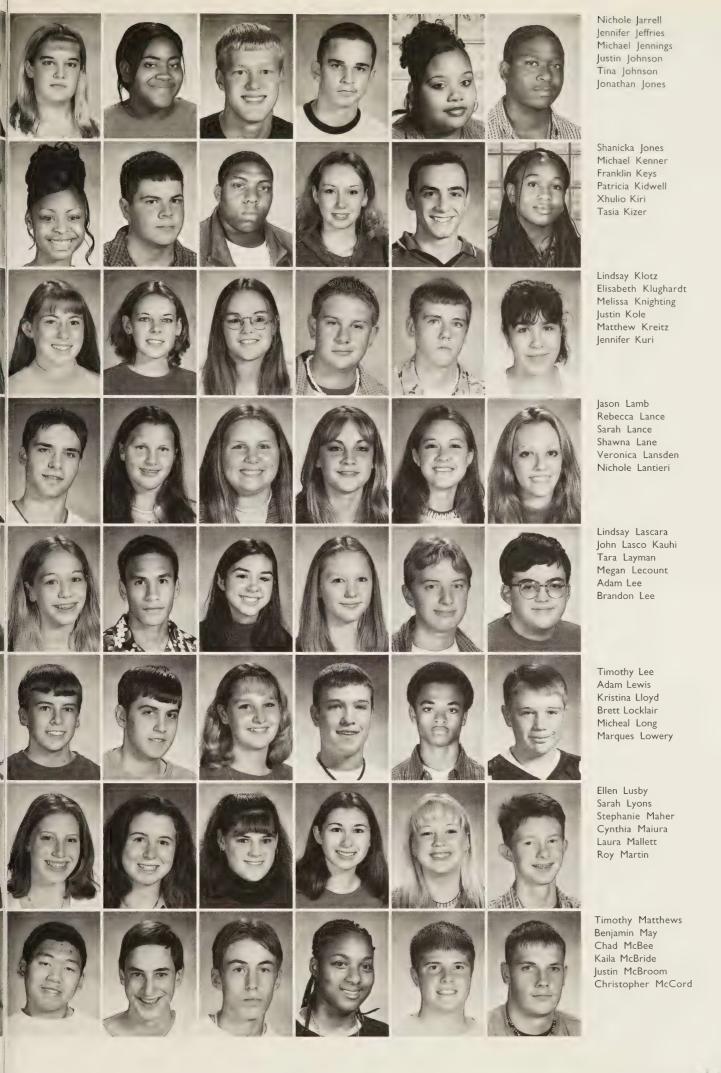
"I go to Germana on Mondays and Wednesdays to take a Sociology class," she said. "Every other day I just go home."

Senior **Kenny Somers** said his work had improved as a result of early release.

"Early release allows me to get my homework done before I go to work, that way I'm not up late at night, after work, struggling to get it done," he said.

by Heather Benson

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Freshman Jad Rutherford attempts to feed his pet rock some food. Taking a break, sophomore Amy Williams rests in a recliner with her chinchillas. Preparing to play with her birds, sophomore Stacey Potter wears a towel around her to prevent from dirtying her clothes. Photos by Tonia Rutherford. Freshman Melissa Cooke gives her cat a warm hug. Photos by Alan Cooke.

= not the usual 9 Lives=

Senior Heather Schnell walked into her house after school and was greeted by her pet ferret. Her ferret, Gizmo, ran around the house like an ordinary cat or dog did. She ate prunes, grapes, and fries and slept in a cage at night.

"I remember watching 'Kindergarten Cop' and thinking how cool it would be if I had a ferret," said Schnell.

Schnell also said that when she first got her ferret it was really fun to play with but recently she hasn't had time to give it any attention.

Senior J.P. Yurgel had a green lizard that, even though its home was a cage, spent most of its time with its owner. Yurgel's lizard ate insects such as grasshoppers and crickets that he bought at the pet shop.

"I just got my lizard a few months ago and I still haven't lost interest in it," said Yurgel.

He did homework, went to school functions, and drove around with Liz resting on his shoulder.

"I named her Liz after my favorite actress, Elizabeth Hurley," said Yurgel.

Having an exotic pet "makes life more fun and interesting than any cat or dog could," said Schnell.

Sophomore **Amy Williams** had an unusual pet that most people had never heard of.

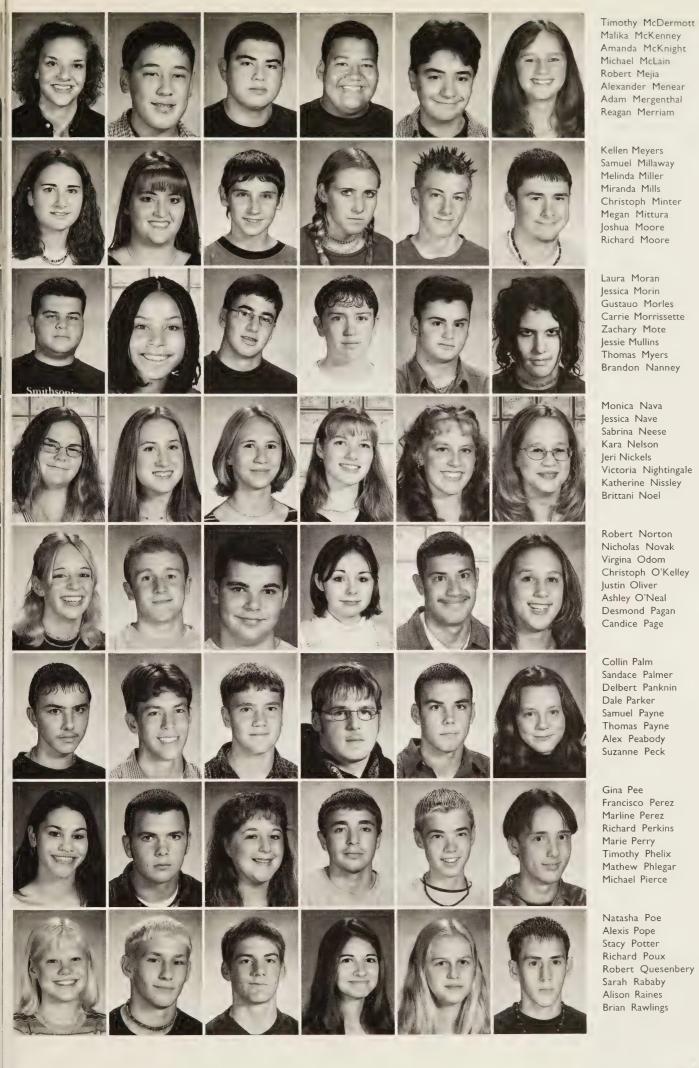
"I've had my two chinchillas for about three years now. I really like having an unusual pet because no one knows what chinchillas are and no one else I know has one," she said.

by Laura Wunderlich









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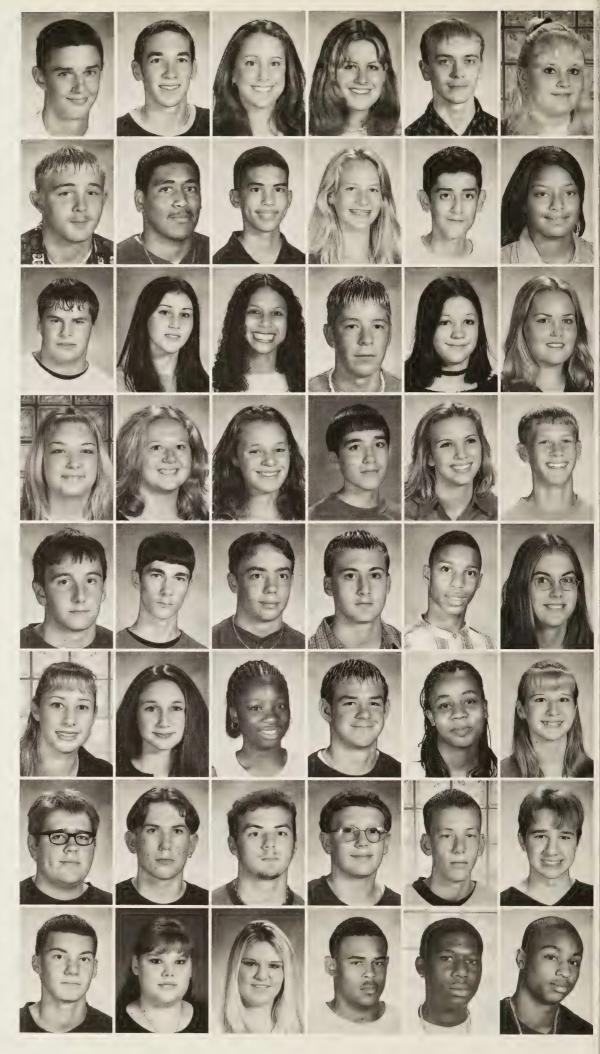
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-Out of contention-

6 6 didn't want to go in an ambulance, but they said I needed a backboard," said sophomore Paul Tronti.

"I broke my neck this summer when I went to Virginia Beach with my friends," he said. "I went to dive into the ocean and my hands were pushed up by the waves and I hit my head. I didn't think anything of it, until my friend's parents asked about it. They told the lifeguard and he said I needed to go to the hospital, just to check it out and make sure nothing was wrong," Tronti said.

"They took x-rays and after about three hours, they told me I broke my neck. It scared me at first, but I got used to it," he said.

After keeping his first brace on for three weeks, he was fitted with a smaller brace on the first day of school.

Junior **CJ Simmons**' injury was not nearly as obvious as Tronti's.

"I tore my meniscus disc," Simmons said. He added that his doctor didn't really know how he did it, but it was injured for a while before he was treated.

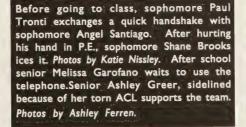
"I had surgery and they used a laser to scrape it. I was on crutches for a couple of days," Simmons said. "I had to take a year off from football, which I hated."

"It's healed now, but they told me I will have arthritis in my knee for the rest of my life," Simmons said.

by Samantha Green





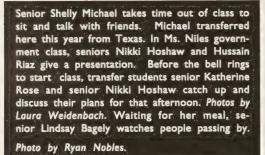


















-Choosing

Senior Katherine Rose hated the idea of moving to Virginia. She left childhood friends and the place she had lived for most of her life.

"It wasn't nearly as bad as I thought it would be. It's easy to make friends here because people are really nice," she said.

Rose added, "I joined the field hockey team over the summer and the players helped me out in school and told me where I needed to go and some of the different things that went on here."

"I anticipated it being a lot more difficult than it was, but the transition wasn't that bad," she said. "I think it would have been a lot worse though if I hadn't joined the field hockey team."

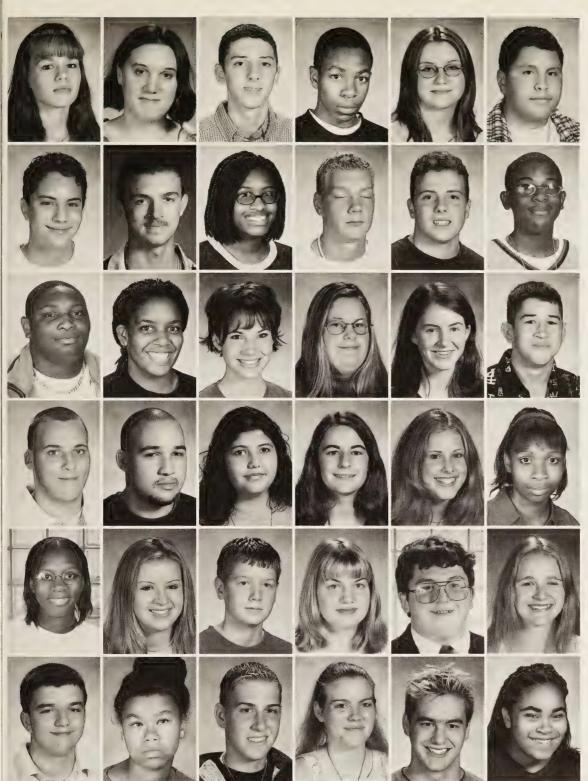
Rose was forced to move here when her father received a promotion, but some, like senior **Shelly Michael** came by choice.

Having moved from Texas, Michael came here for college.

"I would like to go to Virginia Tech next year and to get in-state tuition, so I moved in with my aunt and uncle," she said.

Like Rose, Michael also came to love it here. "It's not as action-packed as Texas here. Over there everyone always seems to be doing something; but I probably just look at it that way because I lived there for so long. But the people here are great and I'm really glad I decided to move," she said.

by Laura Moran



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Dressed as a she devil for Halloween, senior Renee Keeler sits in government class. During a fire drill, junior Hillary Cox talks with senior Eric Senior Depollo. Keleah Sours-Beck stands at her locker on Halloween Photos by Laura Weidenbach. Freshman Felicia Chang reapplies her Halloween makeup in the bathroom. Photo by Colleen Fowler.

- JEN THIRTY ONE-

t was October 31, and sophomore **John Campbell** was dressed up like a girl.

"On Halloween I went over to a friend's house to get ready for a party. It took us about twenty minutes to get in our girl outfits. They were really uncomfortable, but everyone cracked up when we walked in so it was worth it," he said. "We ended up having a blast."

Sophomore Reagan Merriam had a more conventional Halloween, though she did have to change her plans at the last minute.

"I had to take my little sisters trick or treating because my parents weren't home. I was a little angry to get stuck with it, because I wanted to do something with my friends. But it turned out okay, because I was glad to see them so happy," she said.

Sophomore **Megan Barley** didn't really celebrate the holiday.

"I went out shopping for a little while with a friend. When we finished with that, we went back to my house and watched a couple of movies," she said.

October 31 was sophomore Matty Van Allen's birthday.

"Because Halloween was my birthday, I spent the day with my girlfriend," he said. "When I was younger I liked having my birthday on Halloween because I got presents and then went out trick or treating and got lots of candy. But now it doesn't even feel like my birthday." by Heather Reynolds

-Trying 2 fellust-

inth Grade was the year one could finally say that they were a high schooler, and the new title brought new things to get used to.

Freshman Jennifer Adams had to go through some of those adjustments. "You have to walk around more to get to your classes," Adams said. Another difference Adams noticed that "there are a lot more people."

Making the change from being the oldest person in a school to being the youngest took some getting used to, according to freshman **Ashley Gutshall**. "In middle school people got out of my way, but now I have to get out

of their way," she said. Another change Gutshall had to get used to was the change in starting time.

"The hours are different. It is weird getting up at 5:30 a.m."

For freshman, high school had many positive changes as well.

"In middle school the boys were really immature," **Debbie Leavy** said. "But they matured more this year."

Gutshall also noticed a positive change. "People are more friendly in high school," she said.

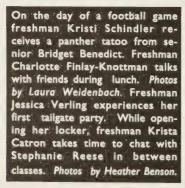
Molly Cox agreed that making the transition to high school was difficult but that it was easy to adjust.

by Josh Cox















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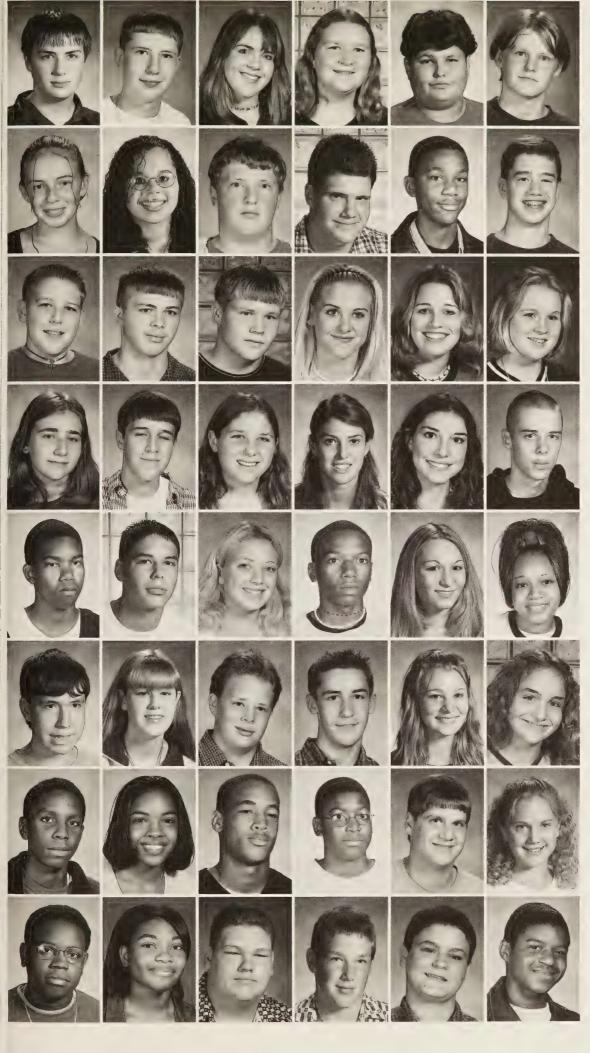
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At a pep rally, freshmen sit as upperclassmen chant, 'Go home freshmen, go home.' During sixth period, Mary Henderson completes a project. While at lunch, Nat Jackson, Kevin Jackson, and Dominique Samuels chat about their weekend plans. Before a vocabulary quiz, Laurel Torkelson does some last minute studying. Photos by Heather Benson.

-No NeEd I Be TENSE-

n Mary Henderson's first day of high school, she was scared to death. She hadn't been to the school for orientation, so she didn't know what to expect.

She said she was afraid that her backpack was going to be too heavy and break right in front of a "really hot" guy, but she got lucky and it didn't happen.

Henderson said that although people probably thought it was a stupid thing to be afraid of, to her it was very important and caused many sleepless nights.

Unlike most people, freshman **Dean Mullins** wasn't afraid of anything when he entered high school.

"I didn't have any fears coming into high school because my family has moved around so much. It's just another school to me," he said.

Freshman **Brittany Knight** didn't have any fears because she "kind of knew what to expect."

"I wasn't scared at all coming into high school because I was already friends with a lot of sophomores. I hang out with my next door neighbor and her other friends, so I felt comfortable with them. I pretty much knew I wouldn't have a problem," she said.

Freshman **Elise Suich** was afraid people would make fun of her.

"I didn't want the upperclassmen to make fun of me because I was a freshmen," she said. "I did end up getting made fun of, but it wasn't bad. Now I don't think I should have even been scared."

by Samantha Green

hey gave them rides, shared lockers and friends. They were senior siblings and they helped their freshmen brothers and sisters ease into high school life.

"I like having an older sister at my school," said freshman Emily Weidenbach. "I get to know lots of older people. She's helped me out a lot, and taught me many things."

Freshman Megan Voss also enjoyed having her sister at school. "She gives me a ride to school, lets me use her locker, and introduces me to lots of older people," she said.

"Having a sister at school is different

from past years of high school," said senior Laura Weidenbach. "I can pick on her since she's a freshman and I pass her in the halls a lot. It's nice, because I sometimes use her locker which is upstairs," said Laura.

"I like being able to use Megan's locker and like picking on her," said senior Shannon Voss.

"We have to leave earlier in the morning than we would otherwise because of my sister. She doesn't want to be tardy. My mom even said that if she gets detention, my brother and I have to go with her," said senior

Josh Cox. by Heather Reynolds









































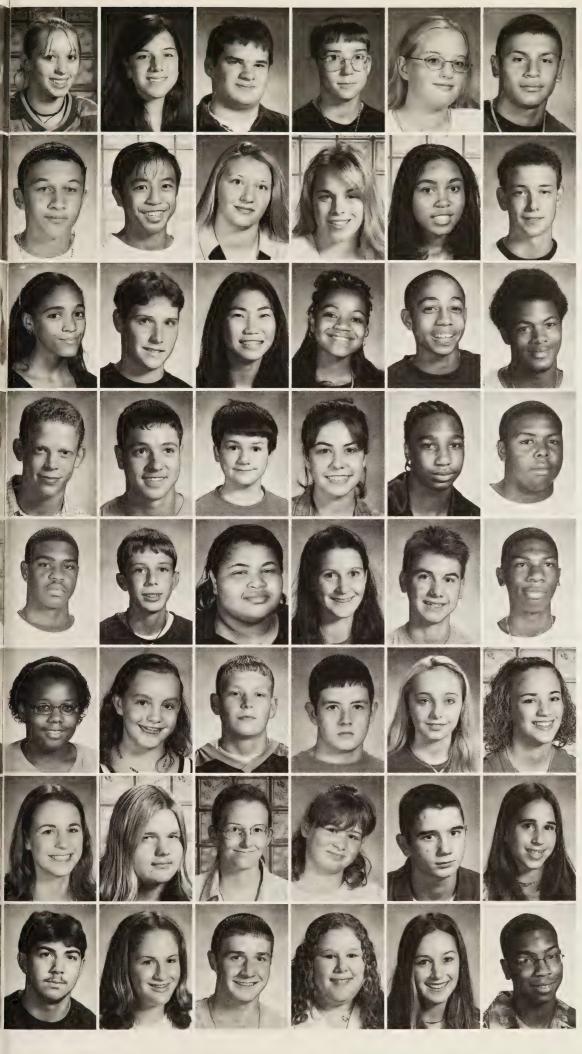








Senior Ben Cox and his younger sister, freshman Molly, leave school early for an appointment. Ready to leave, senior Aaron Stone waits for his brother, freshman Jesse, to get in the car. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. Senior Kelly Strong talks to her sister, freshman Caitlyn, during a class break. Photo by Mary Benton. Trying to beat her sister at a staring contest, senior Shannon Voss gives a threatening glare to freshman Megan. Photo by Laura



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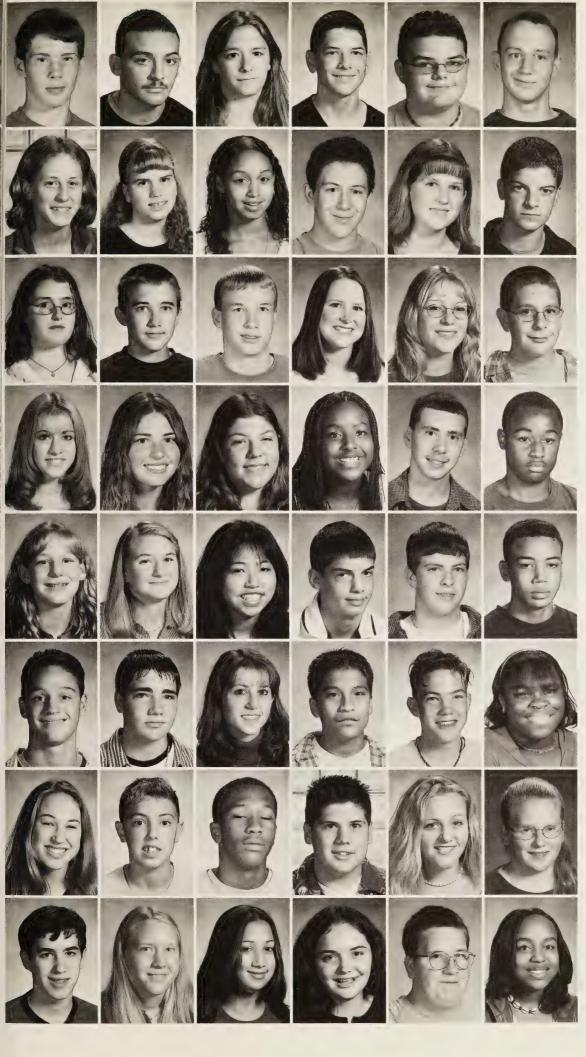
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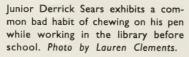




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Sophomores Nikki Ferren, Heather Breault, Stacey Potter, and Jenna Searle socialize during a spare moment in biology class. Brushing your hair during class is a common bad habit. Photo by Patrick Banville.

Resting his eyes for a bit, junior Matt Gillespie catches up on a little sleep during a lull in Discrete Math class. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



-Things 2 Irrits you-

Sophomore Ryan Eustler spoke his mind, which he considered a bad habit.

"Speaking my mind without thinking of the consequences is my worst habit. I don't wait for the person to explain what they mean, I just make a comment about it and sometimes I end up being not very nice," he said. "I'm really trying to stop though, or at least give them a chance to talk before I say something."

Junior **Mike Hudson** bite his nails, "I bite my nails all the time. I hate doing it, but I can't stop. I am trying to grow them out, but I just keep biting them," he said.

"I eat ice a lot," said sophomore Nakole Charles. "It made me anemic and put me in the hospital. I had to take pills to increase the iron in my blood for three months. Since it caused so many problems you'd think I'd know better, but I still do it all the time."

Junior **Jeremy Hayes** had a bad habit he considered rude.

"I stare a lot at girls. I hate this about myself because it's not polite to stare at people, especially girls, but I can't really help it," he said. "Most of the time I just do it with out even realizing it. Sometimes I catch myself and I get embarrassed." by Samantha Green







Taking time out of class for her own private jam session, senior Tanisha Montague listens to her headphones as she surfs the internet. "I only listen to headphones when we have free time or I have study hall. Music relaxes me after the stress of schoolwork," Montague said. Photo by Katrina Culpepper. Junior Justin Blake enjoys a snack while working diligently on a quiz during English class. "I like eating candy in the morning, it wakes me up and gets me ready for the rest of the day," Blake said. Photo by Katrina Culpepper. Freshman Allen Hunter shows his arm full of writing as he receives an enthusiastic hug from his older sister, junior Lauren Hunter. Photo by Colleen Fowler.

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ut of 105 teachers, Peggy
Fuller and Kim McDaniel
were chosen as Teacher and
New Teacher of the Year for 2000,
respectively.

After twenty-six years of teaching, Fuller still thoroughly enjoyed her job, especially here as a Social Studies teacher and head of the department.

"You have to enjoy teaching and love the kids to be a good teacher, and we all do here at Massaponax. I also like having access to all the new technology," she said. "There are so many people here that deserve this award, and there are many people I look up to, so it's hard to imagine anyone looking up to me." "Mrs. Fuller was a really good teacher. If you didn't understand something, she always found a way to help you understand it," said **Alex Menear.**

Mrs. McDaniel also dedicated eleven hours of her day at school and at home, and she met all of the criteria, which gave her the honor of New Teacher of the Year.

"I think Mrs. McDaniel is a really good teacher. Being younger, she can relate more with her students," said **Ellen Lusby**.

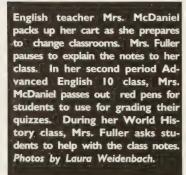
"The best thing about Massaponax is the faculty and the students. They are very spirited and committed to one another and that makes the atmosphere good for learning and enjoying high school," Mrs. McDaniel said.

by Heather Reynolds



















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In the Family Planning class, Mrs. Clark and Mr. Takii prepare a typical Japanese meal for the students. Photo by Randall Pierce. While visiting a classroom, Mr. Takii plays a sample of a popular Japanese music group on the computer. Photo by Mary Benton. Working hard, Mr. Takii and sophomore Becca Flagge create origami figures in Ms. Orr's seventh period Art II class. Photo by Ashley Ferren. Paying close attention, Mr. Takii observes the ways and styles of an American classroom. Photo by Mary Benton.

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uriosity sparked students' interest as paper fans were passed out from a stranger who soon became a familiar face.

Mr. Rayuta Takii spent eight weeks as a foreign exchange teacher from Japan, in order to share his culture with students and become immersed in the American school system.

Takii taught the Japanese class, and spent time in a few geography classes, teaching students about Japanese culture and the land.

On the creative side, he showed art classes calligraphy, the intricate letters used to write in Japan, and origami, the art of folding paper into representations of real-life objects.

The Family Planning class, taught by **Mrs. Clark**, had the opportunity to make a typical Japanese meal.

"Mr. Takii is a family man, so he chose typical

items that he would frequently cook for his wife and his children to cook for us," said Mrs. Clark.

Some of those items included stir-fry and rice balls, both of which students ate with chopsticks.

"I even tried seaweed," said sophomore **Crystal Crawford** of her experience with Japanese food.

Mrs. McCrary, Mr. Takii's host, concluded Mr. Takii's visit was not only beneficial for the students, but for adults and teachers as well.

"He really was a good representative to have here," she said, "He went beyond the language barrier, and was able to communicate to students about the lapanese culture."

by Heather Benson



Two Hundred Eight

Spending his after school hours working out at The GYM, Brian Snodgrass tones his upper body on one of the exercise machines at the area's new physical fitness hotspot. The GYM, located on Rt. 208, received hundreds of new memberships from students within the first few months of its opening. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



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Signaling for the audience to join in, African folk musician Daniel Ssuuna Stanley, beats out a native song on his drum. Stanley, known better as Ssuuna, came to America from Uganda when he was fifteen. He performs not only to introduce his customs to Americans, but also to help out children in his homeland who are orphaned or dying of AIDS. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.

One Thousand Fifty

Talking to her dance instructor, junior Britney Lutz takes a break from her routine at an evening Jazz class. Lutz, who takes dance in Central Park, spends three and a half hours a night, five nights a week, at class, totaling approximately 1050 minutes of dance. Photo by Lauren Clements.

Number of acres the school sits on: 106. Number of square miles in Spotsylvania County: 416.1. Number of miles from Fredericksburg, VA to Fredericksburg, PA: 328.6; OH: 433.3; MO: 970.5; TX: 1594.2; CA: 2705.7. Number of usable pints of blood collected in two blood drives: 153. Number of hours spent serving dinner at the homeless shelter per month: 4. Number of advertisements in yearbook: 87. Number of yearbooks ordered: 780. Numer of dollars paid per yearbook: 45. Number of extra hours, outside class, spent working on yearbook production: 100.

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Dancing in Act I as a snow icicle, senior Alicia Prickett is joined by good friend Anne Payne Bullock in the Nutcracker Ballet, performed by the Fredericksburg Dance Studio. Prickett, who had been a part of 'The Nutcracker' for the past sux years, was one of sex students who participated in the community ballet performance. Photo by Lauren Clements.



Eighty

Sweeping leaves off of the front step of sophomore Patrick Banville's house, sophomore John Russell lends a hand to his friend as the two worked together one weekend. The day of chores that the two neighbors spent together was one of 80 weekend days for students during the school year. Photo by Patrick Banville.



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Reaching for a large cup for a drink order, senior Jea McDonald works a busy evening shift at Marquee Cinemas, a popular weekend spot for students. Located in Massaponax Outlet center, Marquee shows ten movies daily. Photo by Mindi Miller.

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Most Memorable High School Sporting Event

"The most memorable high school sporting event was when Massaponax wrestled Courtland. The entire team was going nuts and screaming at each other. Even though we lost, it was an excellent show of team spirit," said Meghan Gillingham.

"My most memorable high school game was softball last spring. We beat the Spotsy Knights JV team by 1 run. They had been undefeated for two years. I hit my best run and got a triple. Not to mention, I got hit by the pitcher three times," said Jenna Searle.



Kelvin Jonestakesa trip in the boys soccerstate final game in June. The Panthers fell to Blacksburg 3-2 in the last seven mintues of the match. Photoby Sandra Woodcock.

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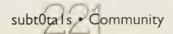
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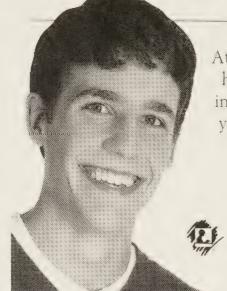
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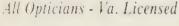
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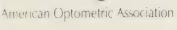






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"My favorite school lunch is the porkette because its so cheap but it tastes so good, plus you even get a good roll to go with it," said Sean Faulconer.

"Peanut Butter and Jelly! I hardly ever have time to pack, but it definately beats greasy pizza," said **Lindsay Klotz**.

"Lunchables! I have yet to buy a lunch at high school and lunchables have been my savior from the horrors of cafeteria dining. I'll never forget the first time I opened that taco lunchable and was confronted with the little packet of liquid meat," said Adam Corey.



Taking a break from the activities at the Senior picnic, Joe Scelzo and Sean Rhea eat their lunch on the picnic tables of Loriella Park. Photo by Laura Weidanbach.

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"Mr. Pellegreen was my favorite teacher. He doesn't teach here anymore but his class was always the highlight of my day. We would joke around and have fun, but we were learning at the same time," said Haley Loving.

"Dr. Brown is a must have on my top ten. He makes sure that you learn your stuff and you can take it into the real world with you," said Shannon Vitarius.

"Mrs. Wheelbarger is one of my favorite teachers. Not only does she make English fun to learn, she brings a relaxed atmosphere into the classroom," said Rachel Stapp



After giving special instructions on a business department newsletter, Mr.Randall shows his class a revised copy. Photo by Leigha Surles

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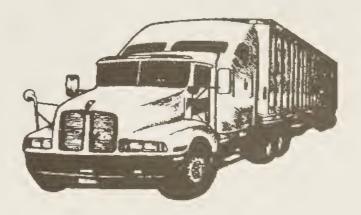
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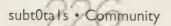
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"When it snows I am usually outside sledding on the big hill behind our house. Afterwards, I come inside and drink hot cocoa," said Lindsay Klotz.

"When it's snowy I'm either outside with my four year old neighbor or inside watching my favorite movies. I love the way the trees look with ice on the branches," said Heather Breault.



During a surprising snowfall. Elizabeth Sabu and Ginnie Holman get into the snowball fight action. The humurous activity took place in the senior courtyard during the lunch shifts. Photo by Randall Pierce.

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"One time at a football game my friends and I painted our chests to spell out MHS. It was fun and I got both the crowd and the players pepped up," said Jonathan Morrow.



While cheering at the Massaponax vs.
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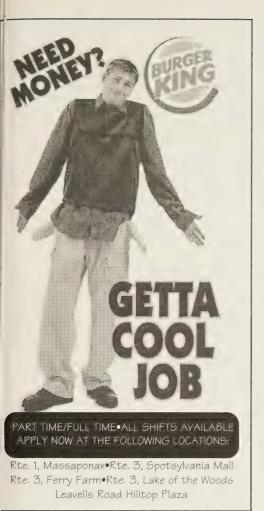
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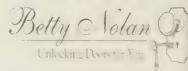
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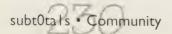


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"I look forward to sleeping in and spending time with friends and just relaxing. School can leave me stressed and very tired," said **Katie Nissley**.

"I love weekends! I can be myself and have fun," said Jeremy Hayes.



Taking a break from the hassles of school, Kelly Romine adds a spin to her regular routine on the tire swing at Lorriella Park. Photo by Laura Weidenbach.



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"Hat day is the best. That's the day when we can wear our goofy hats and get away with it. It's to bad we can't do it all the time. I think I have a different hat for every day of the week," said Tiffany Gates.



Showing his spirit off, Kristopher Finch dresses up as one of the "beautiful" cheerleaders for the upcoming Powder Puff game. Photo by: Laura Weidanbach.

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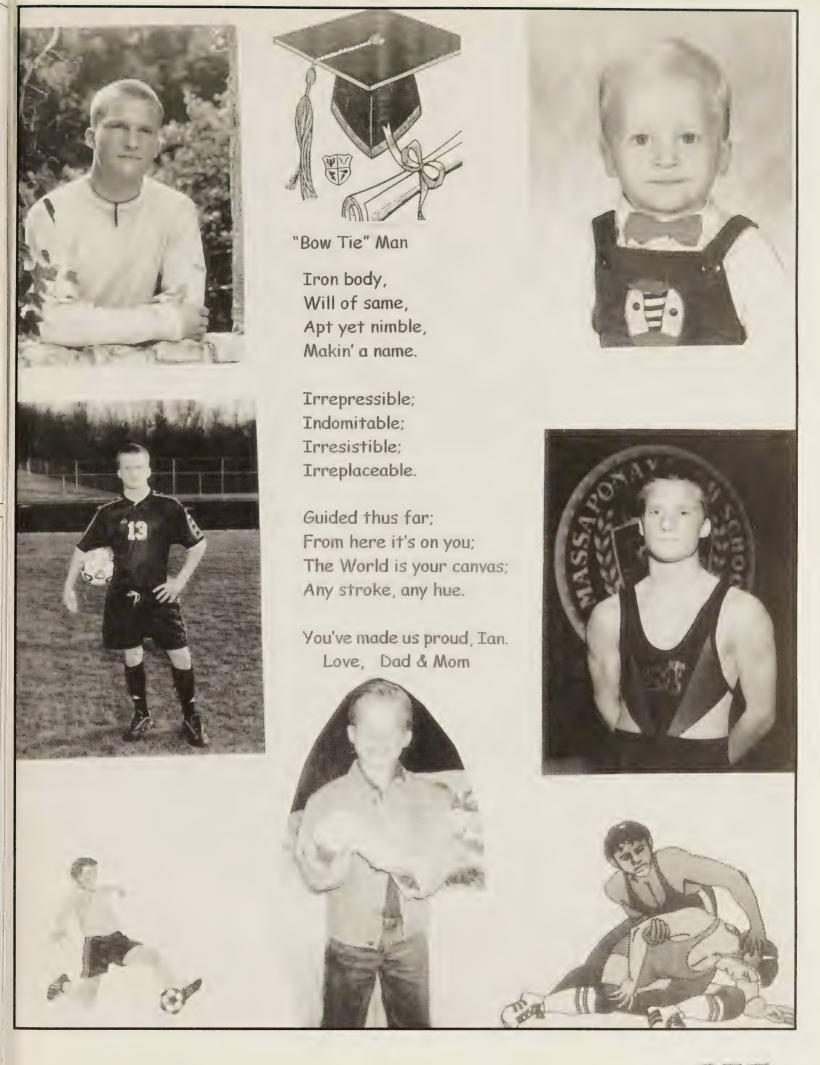
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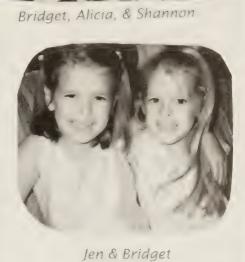
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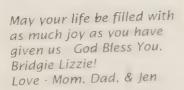
















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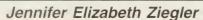
















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Love,

Mom, Kaite, Shelby



Jen,

From the beginning, you have brought joy and happiness to all who have had the pleasure of your company.

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Love, Mommy

Jennifer Teresa Klarman











Adam,

Thanks for having the courage to be yourself and to show others how much you care for them. We are very proud of you and know you will continue to grow using all the gifts God has given



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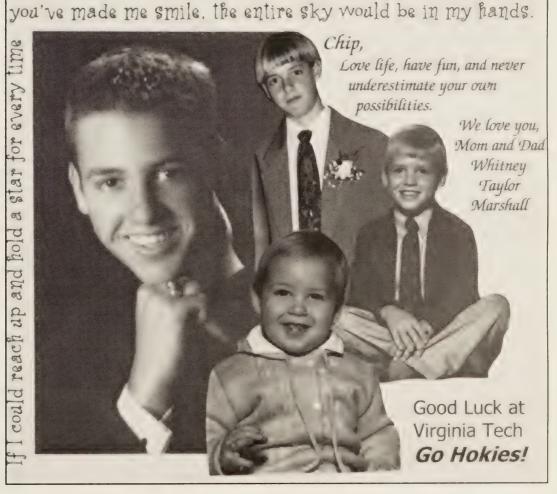


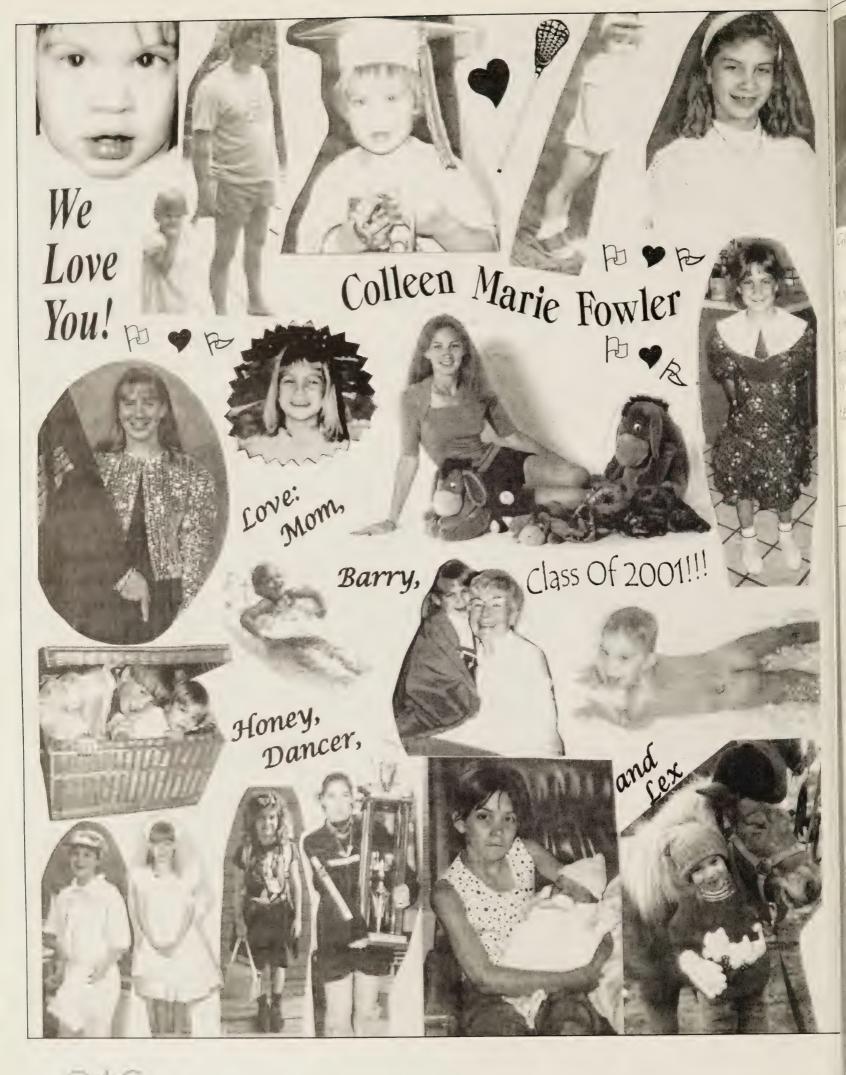
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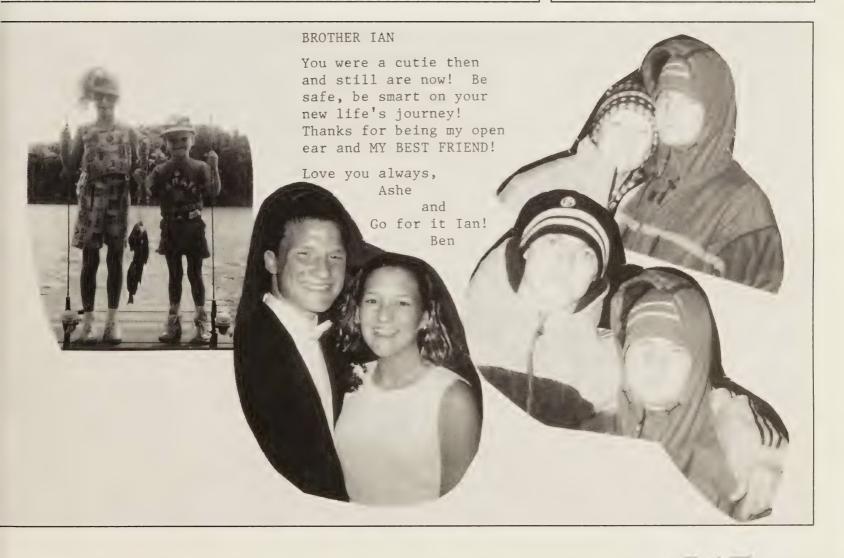


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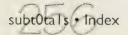
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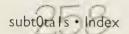
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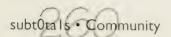
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Editor's Note

First things first: I'd have to say that in my three years as editor of this yearbook, this year, my senior year, was the most memorable. For me, this yearbook was the most fun to work on. We began working on this book even before the doors opened for the 00-01 school year, because we knew there was so much to plan for. Five editors, all of last year's except myself, graduated and moved on to college last summer. As much as I missed having them on staff this year, I am truly grateful to the people who stepped up and filled their shoes in order to put together this yearbook for you. And if you don't mind, I'd like to take time to thank them:

To my fellow editors: Even though I will forever be known as "Bighead," I never let being editor-in-chief get to my head. We are all editors, and it's the subtotals -not subtitles- that always mattered to me. There is no way this book would have ever been finished without the contributions of you all. And for all but one of us, college awaits around the corner. So to Jen, Jenni, Jo-Al, Sarah, Jess, Jeanie, Mike, Laura, and Ashley - thank you so much for working with me (and putting up with me) in order to make this book. You have no idea how much your efforts have meant to me and to the school. I hope we all stay close friends as we go our separate ways, always reminiscent of our days together on yearbook staff. I wish every one of you the best in the coming years and in your futures. I will miss you all.

Of course, I could never forget the staff, especially since it doubled in size from a year ago. Having two classes this year made it a challenge to meet deadlines, but we did it, one step at a time. You should all be proud of yourselves, fifth and sixth period both. I would love to thank you all individually, but to list all your names would probably mean adding another four pages to the book. Since I'm limited on space, you can just list your name here . I am truly grateful for your stories, captions, crops, tags, etc.

If there was one thing most students could all agree on, it would be that every yearbook needs more pictures. And we wouldn't have had those pictures if not for the efforts of the photojournalism staff. I hope you read this yearbook with a smile, taking pride in the pictures you've taken and had published throughout the book. Specifically, a huge 'thank you' goes to Laura Weidenbach, because without her there is no way this book would have been completed. She saved us many, many times when we needed photos at the last minute. Thanks Laura.

Last but not least, as it has been "from day one" when I joined this staff as a sophomore, I have to thank Mrs. Woodcock for all that she has done in the past three years, not only for the staff and this book, but also for me as well. Someone once told me that somewhere throughout my schooling, there would be one teacher, who would teach me not only the school lessons, but lessons about myself and life in general. That someone also said that I would forever be thankful for that person's impact on my life. Well Woody, I know that you have been that person to me and I can't believe that the journey is finally at its end. Thank you for all you did and pushed me to do. I know we picked on each other, and had our ups and downs, but just between you and me, you've been a wonderful teacher, mentor, and friend.

Well seeing as how I have a few lines left, I'd like to thank anyone and everyone who has somehow, in any way possible, contributed to the production of this book. To all the friends I've made along the way, especially in the classes of '01 and '02 (you know who you are), I will miss you all and wish you the best of luck for bright and successful futures. Well, high school's finally over - we made it. It was real ya'll, catch ya later.



1. Aiming to finish editing pages before the next deadline, Student Life Editor Jen Klarman and People Editor Jenni Ziegler work on the computers after school. 2. Taking a break from editing the Community pages, section editors Jo-Al Simmerman and Jeanie Losh smile for the camera. 3. Pointing out intructions on the computer screen, Sports Editor Mike Eltringham works with Danielle McKenrick to finish sports pages. 4. Explaining an assignment to Rebecca Carl, Academics/ **Organizations Editors Jessica McDonald** and Sarah Moran plan for their next deadline. 5. Thumbing through pictures taken by photojournalism students, Photography Editor Ashley Ferren searches for the best photos for editors to use in the Yearbook. Photos by Sandra Woodcock.









To: Randall, Jen, Jenni, Jeanie, Jo, Sarah, Jess, Mike, Laura, and Ashley

Thanks for the memories. You blessed me with enthusiasm, wonderful layouts, terrific work ethics and many, many good thoughts when I needed them.

May God bless you as He has blessed me with you. Your efforts have been rewarded—both in this wonderful book and in the challenge it gave you as you grow into adulthood.

Thank you for all your hard work, support and love.

hugs, Woody

COLOPHON

The theme "subtotals" was chosen to express the unique story of the varied and diverse life experiences which comprise the lives of the students covered in the 2001 Glances.

Special thanks to Mr. Joseph Rodkey, Principal; the entire faculty, staff and student body of Massaponax High School; Mr. Jay Hollis, Mr. John Cutsinger and Mr. John Fletcher of Jostens Printing and Publishing; our advertisers and patrons without whose assistance the book would not have been possible.

Eight hundred and seventy -five copies of the 2001 Glances, volume III were printed by Jostens Printing and Publishing, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Pages were printed on #100 gloss enamel paper. The cover is a student designed Craftline Embossed with a heat sensitive panel. The equation equalling 2001 was calculated by senior staff member Josh Cox. The trim size is 9x12 with 264 pages in the book.

Creative input was provided to the staff by Mr. John Cutsinger of Jostens. Endsheets, Opening, Closing, and Dividers were designed by Editor-in Chief Randall Pierce.

Headline treatments are Litterbox, Kristen ITC, Chiller, Tekton, Papyrus, and Bradley Hand ITC and section typography matches the corresponding part of the equation. Layout designs used a three pica grid. Body copy is 10 pt. Gill Sans and captions are 8 pt. Gill Sans Bold. Small candid cluster photographs, nutgraph style stories, and scatter style stories attempt to implement current trends in magazine styles. All copy and page design was submitted using PageMaker 6.5. All copy and photos throughout the book encompass events that occurred from March 2000 to March 2001.

The yearbook staff of approximately 46 editors, staffers and photographers, assisted by Photojournalism students, produced the book under the director of adviser Sandy Woodcock using six journalism computers. Photos were printed by Segall-Majestic, Photoart and student photographers and scanned at the plant.

Estimated cost of the early June delivery book was \$30,000. Segall-Majestic took senior class portraits at school during June, August and September and took underclass pictures in late September.

Glances is a member of the Virginia High School League, National Scholastic Press Association, and Columbia Scholastic Press Association. The 2000 Glances received a First Place Rating from the VHSL and a Third Place with marks of distinction from CSPA.

1. Sports. Standing in line together as a team, members of the competition cheerleading squad receive recognition after a competition at MHS. 2. Community. Getting an early jump on her weekend chores, senior Kayti Ackley washes the glass door leading to her back deck. 3 Studet Life. Holding a new white teddy bear she received as a gift for Valentine's Day, Sara Pinkerton talks to Sarah Hall about the holiday during third lunch shift. 4. People. Dressed up in their finest exoctic clothing from the 1920s, juniors Kasey Crawford and Stacy Larson wait for the Harlem Renaissance Festival to begin, part of a culminating project in AP English 11. 5. Academics. Working on a dissection in Biology, John Campbell, Paul Tronte, and Angel Santiago discuss their project as a group. 6. Organizations. Taking time out from an already-relaxing weekend, Cathy Hilker, Sara Newton, Whitney Clark, and Danielle Bernard enjoy a midyear vacation to Massanutten for a ski trip sponsored by the Junior Class. Photos by Weidenbach, Heather Benson, Emily Hunt, Ryan Nobles, and Anne Payne Bullock.

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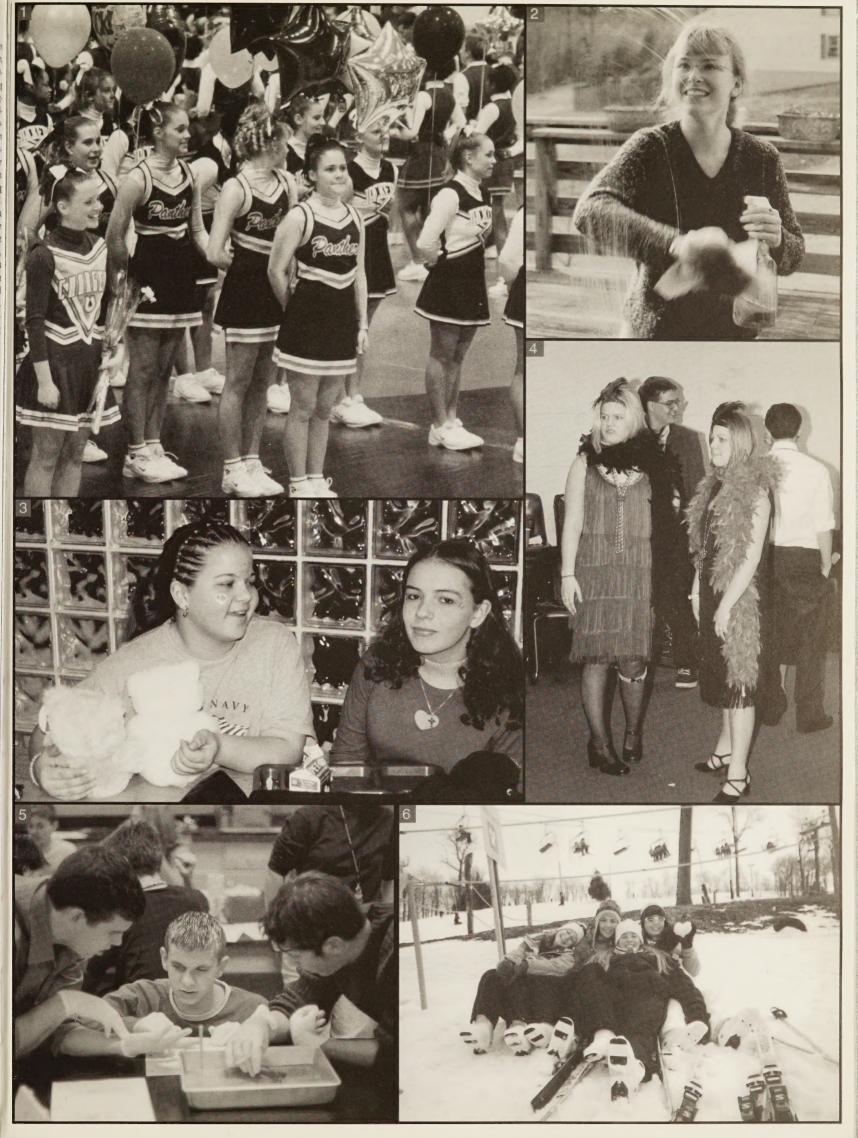
End of '01

At the end of another long day, sophomore Ashley Titus leaves the building to go home. "When 2:30 rolls around I'm always ready to get home and relax," said Titus. Photo by .



dents to miss only 3 days of school all winter;
March's production of Grease, performed by 29
Drama students, ran for 4 nights and 1 matineé;
The senior auction and servant day in mid-April raked in \$2500 for the senior class and its 25 servants;
By the end of April, the Boys' Soccer team had scored goals and allowed only one in just 8 early games;
Graduation Day's Valedictorian walked across the stage with a 4.46 G.P.A., the higest ever in the school's short history;
And from Student Life to Community, 264
pages and \$30,000 later, we had compiled a book of every moment - a sum of all our

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I. Freshman. Eating lunch in the second commons, Lindsey Raymond and Alex Madgar enjoy sitting around a table to eat. Many of their friends gathered around the table because of lack of chairs on the lunch shift. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. 2. Sophomore. Huddling together to keep warm, members of the sophmore class listen to their coach for the next play during the powder puff game. Photo by Segall - Majestic. 3. Faculty. Leading a raffle at the International Dinner Evening, German teacher and club sponsor Mrs. Kelly confirms ticket numbers with senior Kathy Ovard. Photo by Mary Benton. 4. Administration. Enjoying a warm autumn afternoon at the cross country course, Principal Rodkey listens to Reagan Merriam and Lindsey Klotz talk about the district meet. Photo by Alan Cooke. 5. Senior. Sitting in the auditorium for an assembly concerning graduation, Megan Aldrich, Jillian Brown, and Nick Hunter look over packets of information from Jostens for their cap & gown and announcement orders. Photo by Laura Weidenbach. 6. Junior. Laura Relaxing against the fence of the baseball field behind the school, Josh Hurley, David Watson, Emily Erwin, Zac Shaw, and Michael Toner take a break from a day of sledding while other friends of theirs trek back up the hill. Photo by Lauren Clements.







